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R.A.F. School Of Technical Training

A series of pictures showing apprentices at work. Top left, instruction being given fitters on how engines are installed into aircraft. Lower left, the two who had the highest marks in their examination, with their prizes. Top right, listening to a lecture. Centre right, the 1st term "flying mechanics" workshop on "basic" metal work. Lower right, engine instruction with a Rolls Royce "Kestrel" engine.
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MAINLY FROM ENGLAND

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The voice of Drum Major Frost certainly does not lack volume judging by this picture during the issue of orders at the Royal Naval School of Music at Deal. Frost is a pensioner Drum Major who has been re-called for service.



This picture was taken at the Royal Naval School of Music at Deal, where musicians are studying before joining various ships and depots. Here badmen are seen taking the damaged instruments from the "Exeter" and "Ajax", the two warships which took part in the battle with the Graf Spee, into the repair shop at the school.



The Chairman of the L.C.C., Mr. Herbert Morrison M.P., trying on the new summer Army battle dress, made of denim material. He is seen wearing the jacket and looking at the trousers.



A new setting for physical jerks! This young holiday maker at Arosa Switzerland, finds the snow a soft carpet for her keep fit exercises.



The latest fashion for toddlers is a garment that has just been adapted for children's wear from the famous "Dikie" pattern and fabric used by Sir Wilfred Grenfell in Labrador. It is shown above and soon it will be worn by children all over England, in day nurseries, creches and clinics, as it has won the enthusiastic approval of the committee of the National Council for Maternity and Child Welfare. There is a hood attached to the body part, plenty of room for arm and leg movement, and the trunks are fastened right down to the ankles, with no tapes or buttons to go adrift.



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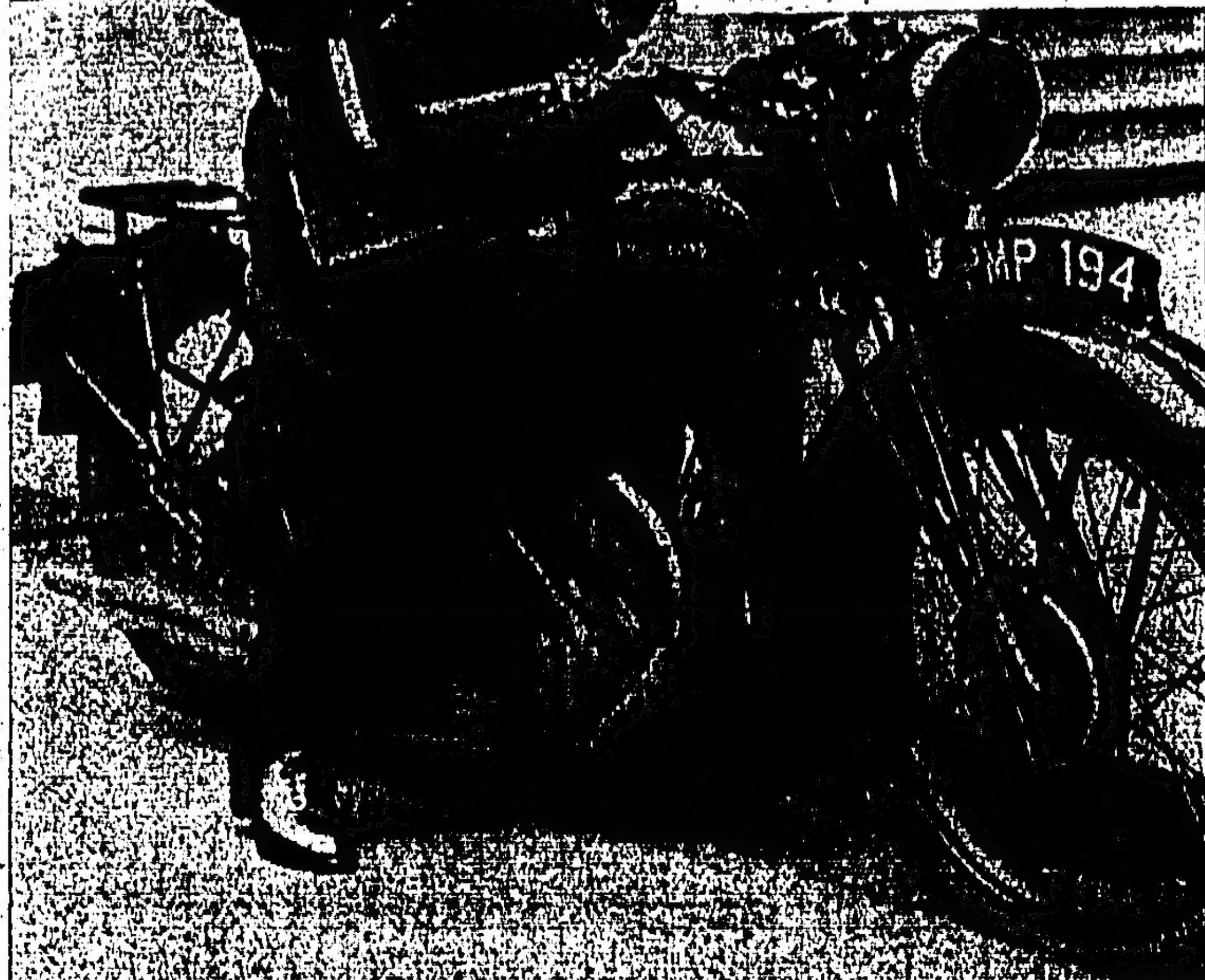
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Downing Street was seething with excitement on April 10 owing to the Scandinavian crisis. Messengers were kept on the move throughout the day, and most messengers are women doing their bit. Here a despatch rider of the Women's Royal Naval Service is seen arriving in Downing Street with despatches.



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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Ely Culbertson

PATIENCE is just as necessary a virtue at the bridge table as it is in more prosaic walks of life. The defender was in a great hurry to cash a sure trick against a slam contract in the following hand and, as a result, let the setting trick escape him.

South, dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH			
S	A 8 4		
H	K 8 6 5		
D	A K		
C	10 7 4 3		
WEST			
S	Q 7 5		
H	9 4 3		
D	J 8 2		
C	J 9 8 2		
EAST			
S	J 10		
H	Q J 10		
D	Q 9 7 6 5 4 3		
C	K		
SOUTH			
S	K 9 6 3 2		
H	A 7 2		
D	10		
C	A Q 6 5		

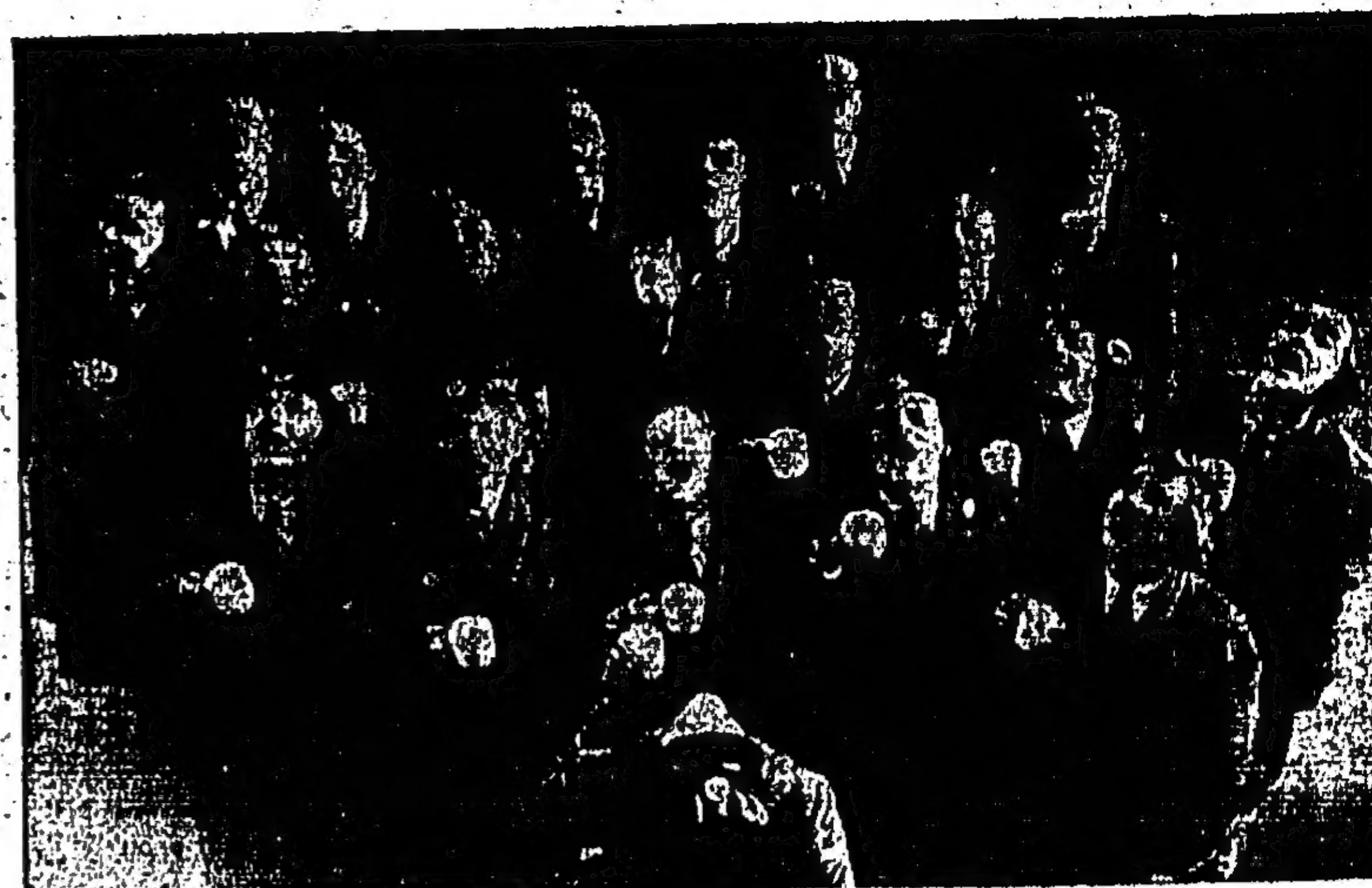
The bidding:			
South	West	North	East
1 spade	Pass	2 clubs	Pass
3 clubs	Pass	3 spades	Pass
4 no trump	Pass	5 no trump	Pass
6 clubs	Pass	6 spades	Pass
Pass	Pass		

This bidding was nothing to elicit paeans of praise. I have no great fault to find with North's initial take-out to the unbiddable club suit, inasmuch as he had great side suit compensation and no perfect bid was available. North could have bid two no trump, but the blank A-K of diamonds suggested that the combined hands probably would play better in a suit contract. It was South's four no trump bid that gave the first impetus toward the slam that never should have been reached. South had a fair hand, but his spade suit was far too weak, after only a secondary raise from partner, to suggest slam

visions. North cannot be greatly blamed for taking South's six club bid to six spades. His reason for doing so, as a matter of fact, is my reason for usually looking with disfavour on responses based on unbiddable suits. No matter how many raises responder receives he always is afraid to play the final contract in that suit.

West decided that there was a fine chance that his partner could ruff an opening club lead, hence led his fourth highest. Declarer captured East's blank king and studied the dummy without enthusiasm. At least one trump trick would have to be lost and, unless a miracle happened in clubs and the jack were to drop on the next lead, there also would be a natural club loser. After deep cogitation declarer thought he saw some light. He would need the co-operation of the defenders, but perhaps they would be kind enough to extend it. At the second trick declarer led his diamond to dummy and cashed the second diamond trick, discarding a low heart. He then played the ace, king, and another heart, ruffing the third round.

So far, so good. The hearts had broken 3-3. The next move was to cash the spade king and then cross to dummy's ace. The 3-2 break of the spades was another cause for satisfaction, but the crucial point had not yet arrived. It did, however, on the next play. Dummy's established fourth heart was led and declarer discarded a club. West swooped down upon this trick with his high trump, as though that card would vanish into thin air if it were not taken on the spot. Having done so, however, West gazed helplessly at his hand for a safe exit. Too late, it occurred to him that a diamond return would be ruffed in dummy while declarer discarded an-



These members of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force, attached to a Royal Air Force station "somewhere in England", meant to keep fit during the recent cold spell with the aid of their morning goggle. The W.A.A.F.'s with their heads up are shown during their morning goggle parade. (Fox Photo, Copyright).

CLASSICS

Floods can often be prevented by putting big dames in the river.

Syntax means all the money collected by a church from sinners.

Animal husbandry is the act of having more than one husband at one time.

Three shots rang out, and two of the men dropped dead while the other went through his hat.

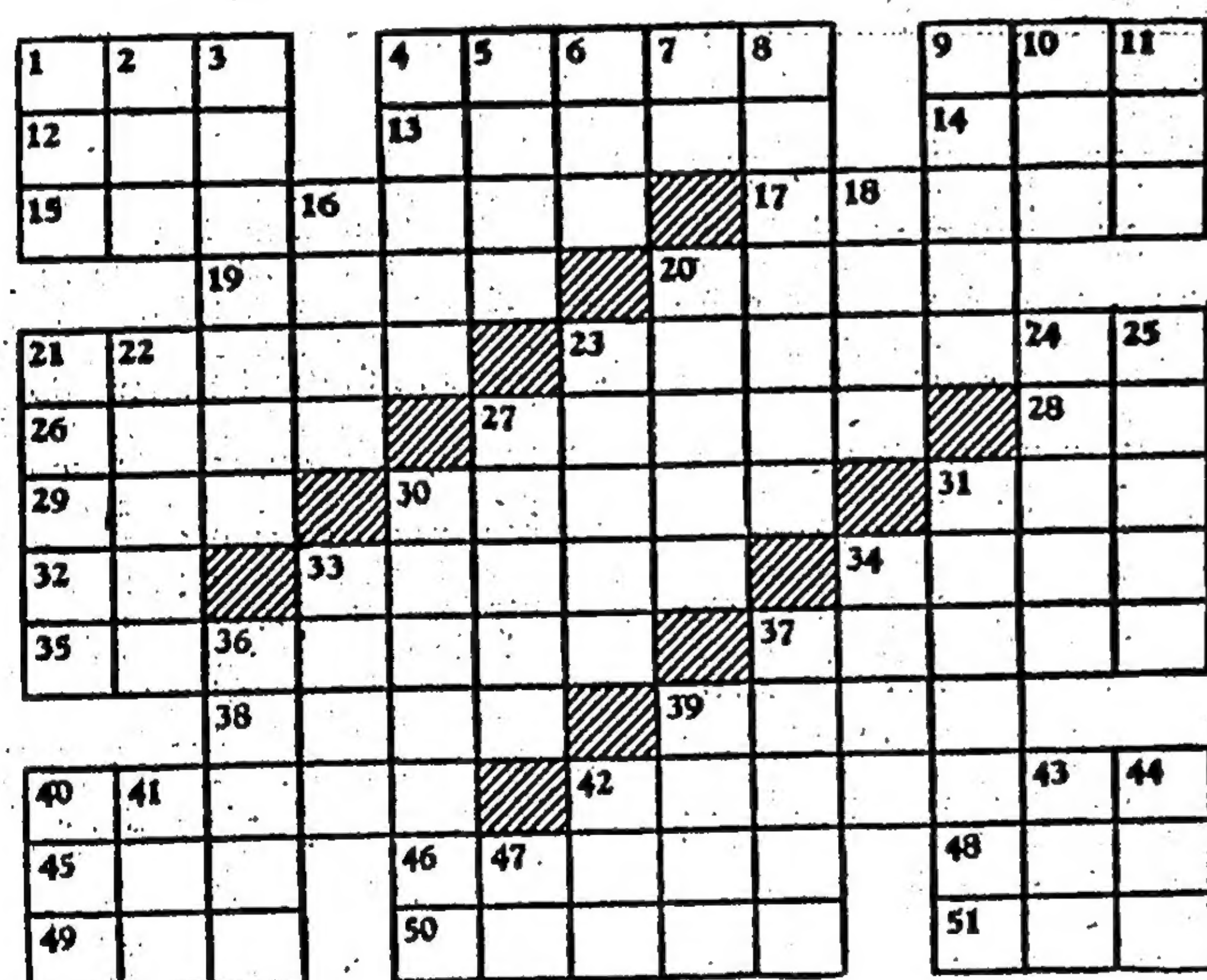
The title passes on in a public auction as soon as the auctioneer knocks the buyer down.

A horse divided against itself cannot stand.

other club, obviously his last losing club. But West's actual choice of the club eight return was no better. Dummy's ten was put up with a silent prayer by declarer and, when it held, the contract was "in the bag."

It may be superfluous to point out just how bad West's play was. All he had to do was refuse to ruff the fourth round of hearts and declarer would have been helpless. Of course West would have to discard a club, not a diamond, but that would not take much vision after declarer's club discard. Now, if declarer tried to drop the jack of clubs, he would come to grief, and if he tried the impossible throw-in play, by leading a spade to put West on lead, West would have an easy and safe exit in his third diamond.

SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.



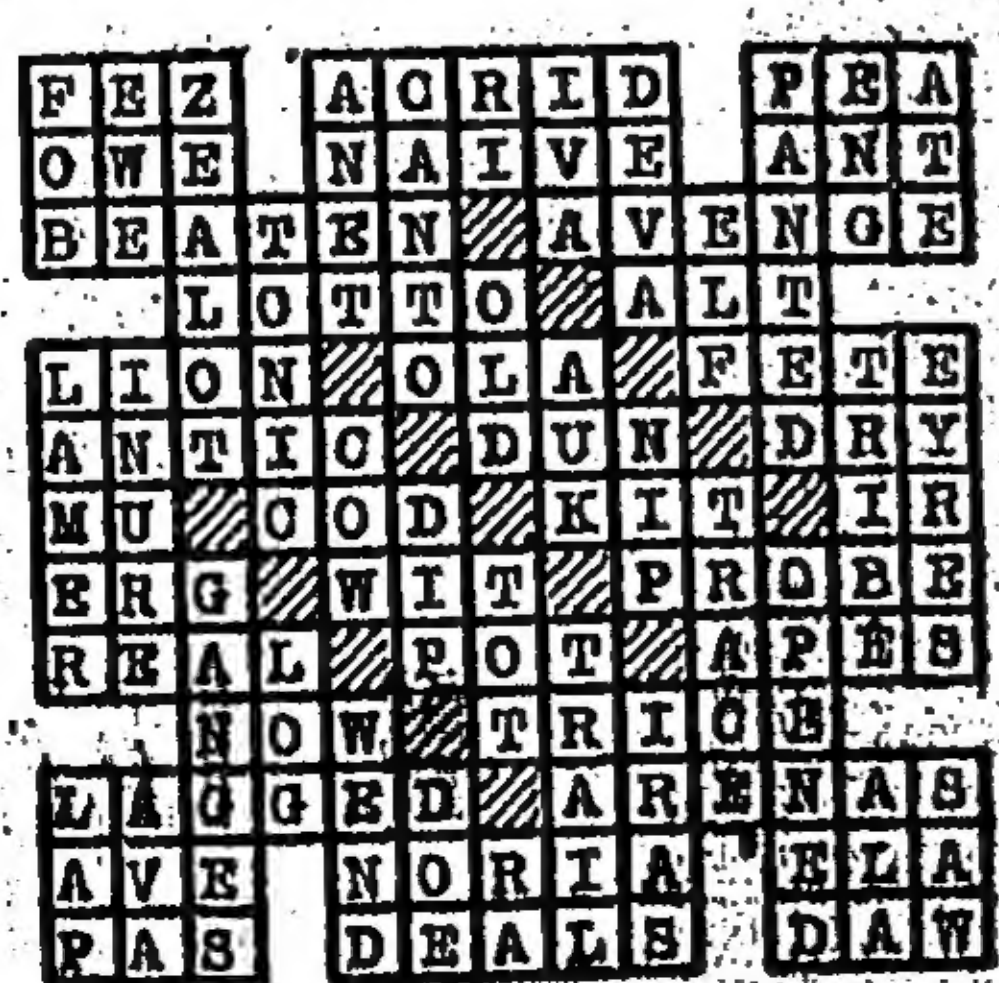
HORIZONTAL
1 Dawn goddess
4 To lower
8 Soft
12 Groove
13 Plaintive
14 To rest
15 Endurance
17 Drizzling
18 Throw
20 Spanish: drawing-room
21 Borders
23 Alkaline remedy
26 Entrance
27 Powdered substance
28 Japanese drama
29 Eroded
30 Warning signal
31 Replenished
32 Preposition
33 Disbursed
34 Ice mountain
35 Lasts
37 Kind of rock
38 Goddess of discord
39 Springs

40 Three-masted vessel
42 Flung carelessly
45 Moslem name
46 Constellation
48 Age
49 To make lace
50 Binds
51 Moisture

VERTICLE
1 Bitter vetch
2 Preposition
3 Ruling
4 Wrong
5 Stores
6 Literary scraps
7 Just as stated
8 Mistake

9 Pertaining to Troy
10 Scotch waterfall
11 Solution
16 Dust particle
18 Wing-shaped
20 Nasal sound
21 Rock
22 Conductor's stick
23 Wolf-hounds
24 Immobile
25 Evasion
27 Escapes
30 Fruit
31 Celebrated
33 Safe
34 Colloquial: to utter heedlessly
36 To charge
37 Covers
38 Plum-like fruit
40 Hindu pillar
41 High note
42 To lap
43 Prior to
44 Kind of bird
47 Egyptian deity

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



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If You Wear Glasses Heed This Advice

HOW to be attractive and still wear eye glasses, was the theme of a press party recently given by a leading Fifth Avenue beauty authority.

"Few women realise that with glasses chosen to harmonise with their face shape and skin tone, with a coiffure especially styled to detract from the glasses, and with proper make-up, they can be far more attractive in appearance than women who do not wear glasses but should," stated this beautician.

"For a woman who goes about straining her eyes, has a perpetually tired look, numerous little face lines and encourages a dowager's hump!"

At the party we were told that a square-face girl should wear glasses broader at the top than at the bottom to minimise the breadth of her face. The long faced girl looks better in round, large frames, as they help to fill out her face. The colour of frames depends upon the individual skin tone and the only way to determine which is least conspicuous is to try on the various models.

Quite naturally care of the skin was emphasised for attention is drawn to the face if you wear glasses. Keep your skin smooth-textured through daily care and by all means use a foundation cream or lotion beneath your make-up. This helps to keep your powder and rouge intact as you put on and take off your specs!

Wear your rouge rather high on your cheek bones to counteract the shadows from your lenses. Blend it well and use a bit more than you would if you did not wear glasses.

According to this authority, eye make-up is supremely important. Shadow on your lids should intensify the colour of your iris, mascara should emphasise the tips of your lashes (not the whole length) and a bit of tissue oil over the eyeshadow helps to make your eyes glisten behind the lenses.

HOW TO DRESS YOUR HAIR

Two hair styles, in the modern manner, were shown as those most becoming to goggle eyes! By all means wear your hair softly and

for most faces it should be drawn back from the temples slightly to throw your face features into prominence. Soft full curls, or deep waves are more becoming than the severe stylised coiffures.

One flattering coiffure had "front interest"—a bustle of soft full curls worn rather high on the forehead. The other hairdo had "back interest" and was called the snood coiffure. It had a clever arrangement of soft full, sculptured curls over the temples, with the back hair combed out in a fluff to balance the eye glasses on a thin face.

Patricia Lindsay tells how to make them hardly noticeable.

SELECTING HATS

Even hats were considered and Sally Victor presented some very flattering models. A rust-coloured antelope had a slight visor effect with a cascade of cog feathers falling softly down one side to the cheek. A casual hat of brown felt had a brim which swept up one side in a dashing line and was lined with turquoise suede which was flattering to the skin. For formal wear, she showed a cleverly draped turban of blue velvet which came down slantwise on the right side of the forehead while the left side was softened beautifully with gay fuchsia velvet flowers. The model wore flesh-coloured framed glasses and they were hardly noticeable!



This square-faced girl wears frames which are broader on top than bottom to minimize the width of her jaw line. The high, swept coiffure has a flattering back fullness.

Get Enjoyment From Exercise Routine

MANY of the pains and aches, and illnesses, of which women complain would not occur if they would embrace physical activity as a pleasure instead of as a chore. By that I mean every woman should exercise, and get enjoyment from it.

Younger women should include competitive sports in their beauty routine both winter and summer. Older women should schedule exercise according to their years and former activity. A woman who has not exercised in her life should not begin to do home calisthenics at

forty — unless she is guided by an expert. But that woman could and should get out and take a brisk walk daily in comfortable shoes and clothing, and keep limbered.

MANY FORMS OF EXERCISE

"Exercise," does not necessarily indicate hanging from a gym bar or turning a somersault. Exercise may be dancing, walking, running, and housework (if done in good posture and rhythm), gardening, indoor and outdoor games.

Our bodies, however, get used to our regular duties and activities. Even though a housewife may take many steps and bends during her day, she is giving only certain muscles a toning. The other muscles require a different routine to keep firm and elastic.

Therefore, you may choose your own exercise routine. Notice which parts of your body are used during your average day. Then select a form of exercise which gives the neglected muscles a work-out.

LOOK FORWARD TO EXERCISE

Once you have selected a group of corrective movements, or have determined to walk each day for two or three miles, or to dance alone by the radio or with a companion at night—train yourself to look forward to those periods. Just as you might look forward to the hour when you can snuggle down in a

comfortable chair to sew or read. Exercising periods should be pleasure periods. You'll have to admit that your spirits lift and your mind clears after fifteen minutes of rhythmic movement.

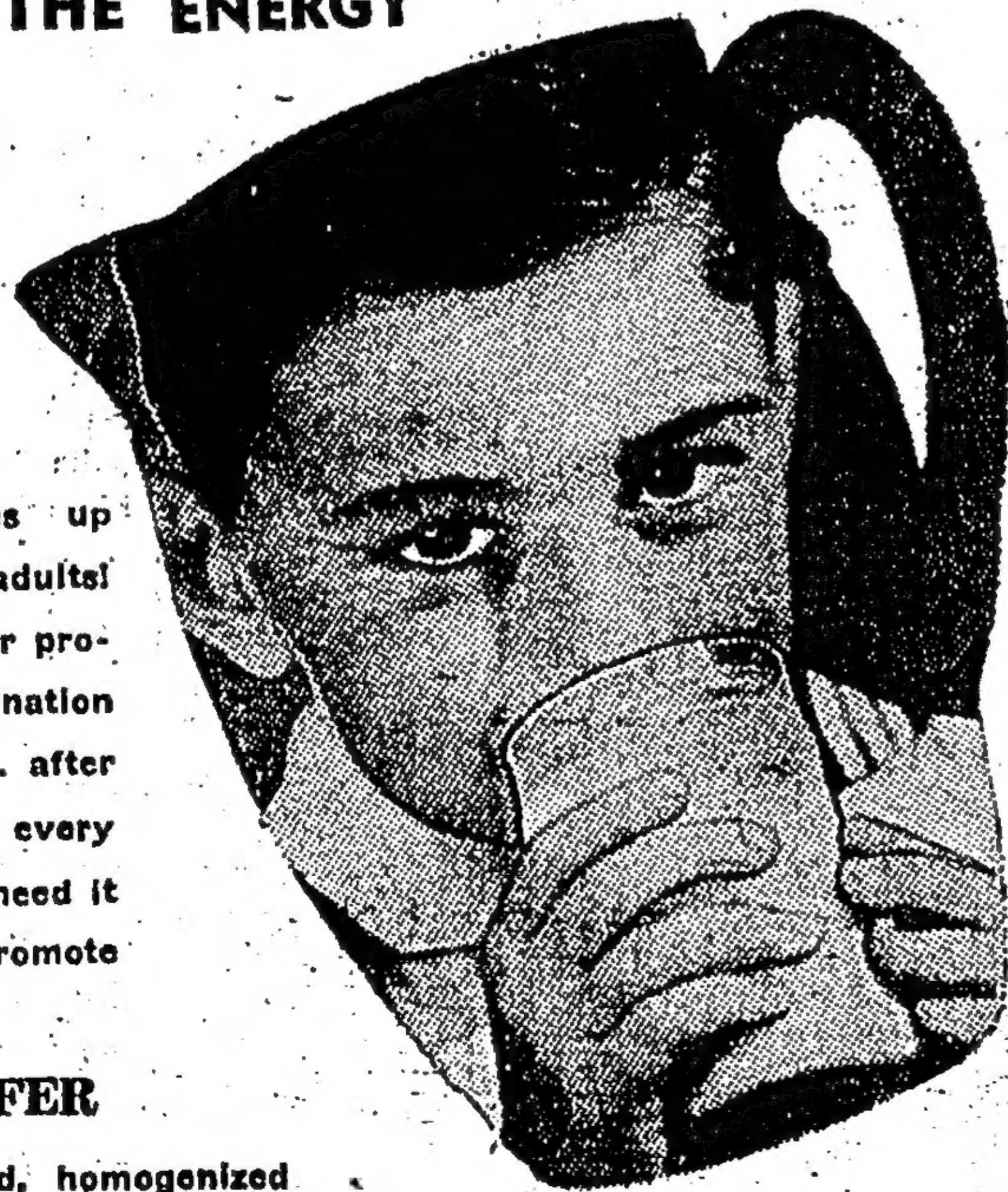
TWO GENERAL MOVEMENTS

There are, of course, several exercises which are good for most any woman. Those are the ones taught to growing girls in gym class. They are planned to give a general toning and to stimulate blood circulation so all parts of your body will be nourished. Two of these follow and you may safely do them each day.

Exercise I: Stretch as far as you can, rising on tip toes. Relax. Now with feet flat on floor stretch high and bend at the waist attempting to touch your toes with your finger tips keeping knees rigid. It will take days of touching until you can do this easily if you are not limber. Do ten times at least. More if you want to.

Exercise II: Stand erect, arms stretched out at shoulder level. Bend over with a swing and try to touch the toes of your left foot with the fingertips of your right hand. Swing back into starting position and bend and swing trying to touch toes of right foot with fingertips of left hand. Do this to music, if you can, to be rhythmical. Repeat the exercise twenty times, once you are limber.

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MOVIE STYLES

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Wartime Paris fashions
combine practicality, chic
and excellent cut with the
military note. The martial
motif is apparent in coats,
tunics and tailor made, to-
gether with an inimitable use
of colour.

"Aeroplane" grey, which is
somewhat purple, Maginot
blue and trench brown are
much in evidence. Legion red
was seen in a wide and won-
derful winter coat with its
military back fullness held in
by a narrow belt.

The new swing pockets
which go to decorate after-
noon models are braided. The
majority of these new of-
ficers' pockets are piped,
bound and flapped, with per-
fectly manipulated leather.
Large brass buttons usurp the
place of more eccentric gad-
gets. The necks close high,
often with very small officers'
collars of the lay-down var-
iety.

The latest hats to appear in
Paris are evidence that cur-
rent events leave their mark
on millinery more clearly
than on any other fashion
creations.

Gaily coloured epaulettes,
tasselled cords, brass buttons
and busbies, reminiscent of
military headgear in armies
from all over the world, are
popular.

By the way, there's a new
"Red Cross" coiffure which
is decidedly interesting, for it
shows an attempt to revive
the chignon. — "Newcastle
Journal."

More Baby Boys After The War?

(By Alexandra Pecker)

I called on Dr. Martel Metzger,
Professor at the University Mater-
nity Hospital, Paris. It is here that
one sees one of the most poignant
repercussions of the war—young
women preparing for what is eup-
hemistically called a "happy event."
It is now that they have the great-
est need of the presence of the fu-
ture father, but, alas, he is not there;
he is "somewhere in France," car-
rying out military duties.

"Are more boys than girls born
in time of war?" I asked Dr. Metz-
ger.

"It is not during wars, but after
wars that one finds a larger propor-
tion of baby boys," he replied. "This
was especially noted after the war
of 1870. There was such an in-
crease in the number of recruits in
1890 that it was necessary to cast
lots to see who would be exempted
from military service. An excess
of males is a sign of decadence. Na-
ture demands more women than
men. During a war the most virile
men are at the front, and only the
older and weaker ones remain be-
hind, whom women marry in great-
er numbers than in peace time."

Doctor Devralgne, to whom I also
put the same question, gave me a
negative answer. "I have no pre-

cise statistics on the point," he
said. "I have, on several occasions,
made a count at the Lariboisiere Ma-
ternity Hospital since 1925, and each
time I have noticed a few more boys
than girls, say 490 boys to 485 girls.
I have made the same count at the
Beaujon Hospital in 1934 and found
511 boys to 489 girls. In 1935, on
the other hand, girls predominated:
510 girls for 490 boys. It is possi-
ble that an excess of girls may
prove the vitality of a country, but
I am not sure of it. One thing is
certain, it creates a greater number
of old maids who might otherwise
have been excellent mothers."

The third doctor on whom I call-
ed at the hospital asked me not to
mention his name. "There is a med-
ical theory that the weaker of the
two mates produces a child of the
opposite sex. Modern soldiers pro-
create during their leave. But will
they be the stronger mate, or will
the fatigue of war sap their vital-
ity? I can only say that it is still
too early to be definite about it.

"In my opinion it is pure guess-
work to try to predict the sex of
unborn children. There may be
more boys than girls born after the
war or vice versa; the chances are
equal."

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THE MARCHING DEAD

By CAPTAIN J. D. CRAIG.

"THOSE waters are accursed. Live men don't die there and dead men"—he shrugged his shoulders eloquently—"come to life. I have no fear of death nor of life, of course. But when life and death are mixed and the dead march against the living, then, my friend, those waters appeal not to me."

They stared at him, fascinated. Plainly, they had heard something of that before, but he would not be questioned. He had seen the macabre marching and he was alive. Others had seen and were dead. He lapsed into silence.

Months later, I casually mentioned it to another Russian I chanced to meet—a Black Sea sailor. He stared at me and explained: "I've heard of them but I left that country soon after the war of 1914-18 and when I got back they were gone, people said. They were not divers, be sure of that. They were drowned men in ragged clothes with frightful faces. They lived down there in the mud. Divers would die after meeting the marching dead, die horribly on land, and soon none would go down."

Then one day, I heard more about the strange tale from a chap who had been with the British Navy in the war of 1914-18.

"Odessa?" Oh yes, he knew of it

and more than enough. What he knew came to me indirectly but it strengthened the grisly saga of underseas and completely tormented my imagination. He had new facts—but no solution.

When all Russia was in terror, he recalled, when the Romanoffs had been slain in a cellar and the Kerensky Government overthrown, madness had raged in Odessa with conflicting parties and factions pillaging the city, killing one another, struggling for control. There had been a hospital there, but after the German invasion and the subsequent seizure by the Bolshevik forces, the city was in shambles.

After the Armistice, a British destroyer tore through the Black Sea and cast anchor in the deep clinging mud of Odessa Bay, preparatory to warping into dock. An anchor was lost, and the destroyer dropped a diver down to locate it. Before he reached bottom he was signalling to be drawn up, screaming like a maniac into his phone. When his gear was removed he collapsed to the deck. The congested, swollen state of his face showed something extraordinary had happened to him—and he was speechless. He was hurried ashore to the hospital.

Hospital doctors could give little information. They repeated the incredible story that Odessa natives told—a tale of kidnapped men who never seen again, dead or alive. Perhaps they were living at the bottom of the sea!

All of which struck the stolid British seamen as stuff and nonsense. But His Majesty's Navy had lost an anchor and that anchor had to be found. The captain ordered that diving operations be resumed. An officer volunteered to carry on the search and he was lowered.

Odessa Bay is not deep but the bottom is very soft and into the water for many years has been spewed the waste of chemical and tin-plate factories and the officer stirred up masses of debris as he worked. Suddenly he sustained the shock of his life.

What he saw was a company of men marching towards him—dead men marching as if to meet him. Some wore tattered uniforms, some were in civilian clothes. Eyes beamed like the eyes of fish, mouths agape, lips contorted as in silent laughter on some faces, on others as if ready to shout a warning. They moved slowly as though they feared they would be carried upward to the sea's surface.

Then something seemed to snap in the heart of the fright-frozen officer, and his veins stretched as from some surging force. The awful creatures stopped abruptly. Their naked arms lifted from the rags, their puffy hands extended, their laughing, gaping grinning mouths seemed to welcome him.

They moved like soldiers, in unison and with a suggestion of keeping step as to inaudible music, perhaps to their own guttural chanting! No emaciated refugees, they! Fat as monstrous sea slugs they seemed, and their flesh was mottled



—The Humorist, London.

and repellent, like dwellers far from sunshine!

Bearded, many of them were, but others showed faces cadaverously clean. And...they...were...coming...towards him with arms outstretched again!

On the destroyer's deck, they felt the tug of the cables and without waiting for a word from the phone hoisted the officer aboard. He was senseless when the helmet was screwed off. Doctors went to work and he told what he had seen.

Right there, the weird narrative broke off short. But what the former British sailor said lashed my determination to get the answer to it all, for certain I was that an answer existed.

What Odessa would not give up, Chicago did! A learned doctor chatted with me over a cup of coffee recently. The subject of diving and its effect on health came up. He professed deep interest and explained:

"Through the war, I was in Odessa, at the hospital there. One of our staff, Dr. Sokoloff, a Russian like myself, was seized by anarchist terrorists."

"The Bolsheviks helped us search. We learned he had been murdered by the terrorists and thrown into the bay. We offered a reward. Divers went down and some came up quite insane, temporarily, and one or two died from strange maladies. Then a British destroyer lost an anchor and sent an officer down. He didn't find the anchor, but he saw a shocking spectacle and finally was able to describe it—dead men marching on him, he said, a regiment of them, ragged, revolting to see, but alive, marching as to music. They thought he was insane."

"But were there marching dead down there?" I asked. "Or were all the divers crazy?"

"No, not exactly," said the doctor, thoughtfully. "You see, before the Bolsheviks arrived, the anarchist terrorists imprisoned scores of men for revenge or ransom. The prisons were filled. They were chained by the legs to prevent flight, but their hands were free. When the Bol-

sheviki forces arrived, the terrorists fled, but first they shot their prisoners lest they talked to the invaders. Then they flung the bodies into the bay—and those are the bodies the divers saw."

"But, they were standing up, they were the marching dead?"

"They were standing," explained the doctor, "because their leg-irons were so heavy that their feet were held in the mud. The water is not deep and surface disturbances would stir them. They did not march but they moved together—the currents in the bay swayed them. Ultimately, we recovered every corpse. And that is all."

"No, it isn't!" I exclaimed. "Such bodies would have been decomposed. And why were so many divers stricken?"

"Gently, my friend," urged the doctor. "The masses of industrial chemicals dumped into the bay evidently preserved the bodies. As for the maladies of the divers, we never understood them fully. Possibly they can be explained by glandular action, and the chemistry of fear. All the divers were brave, experienced, accustomed to danger—but none to the shock of what they saw. Perhaps the excessive adrenaline poured into the blood stream—which already had been charged heavily with nitrogen, due to the pressure under water—may have generated deadly poisons, but we are not sure. The shock, of course, induced insanity."

And so the mystery of the marching dead had been solved.

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General Knowledge Test

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2. What is a calumet?
3. Are seals members of the fish family?
4. Name the author, the country used as a locale, and the prize won by the writer of *The Good Earth*?
5. What is sometimes called "a ship of the desert"?
6. If you received a scarab for your birthday, would you eat it, wear it, or write with it?
7. If you were told to genuflect, would you jump, dance, bend your knee, or attempt to turn a somersault?

8. Can you tell the difference between (a) horoscope; (b) microscope; (c) stereoscope?
 9. What is a lyre and what is a lira?
 10. Is a solar plexus an astronomical, anatomical, or mathematical term?
 11. Why did King Arthur's knights sit at a round table?
 12. Will iron float in mercury?
 13. When a cow gets up after lying down, which end gets up first?
 14. Who was called the "National Poet of Scotland"?
- (Answers on Page 13)



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(Left) Mr. Eric Rall-ton, the new assistant secretary of "Y". (Right) Mrs. Lucas pouring out a cup of tea for D. Spare. (Below). Civilian and Service members of the "Y" teams.



WEDDING BELLS



Mr. and Mrs. G. Swinburn photographed after their marriage at the Registry. Mrs. Swinburn was formerly Miss Amparo Yvonne Lavadia. (Kahn).

ENJOYABLE DANCE AT KOWLOON C.C.



Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith and Mr. C. W. Brand are seen in this group. (Fotopix).



Mrs. Trimmer, Mrs. Dudley, Mrs. Peters, Miss D. McCaw, Miss M. McCaw and Miss S. Bruce photographed during tea.

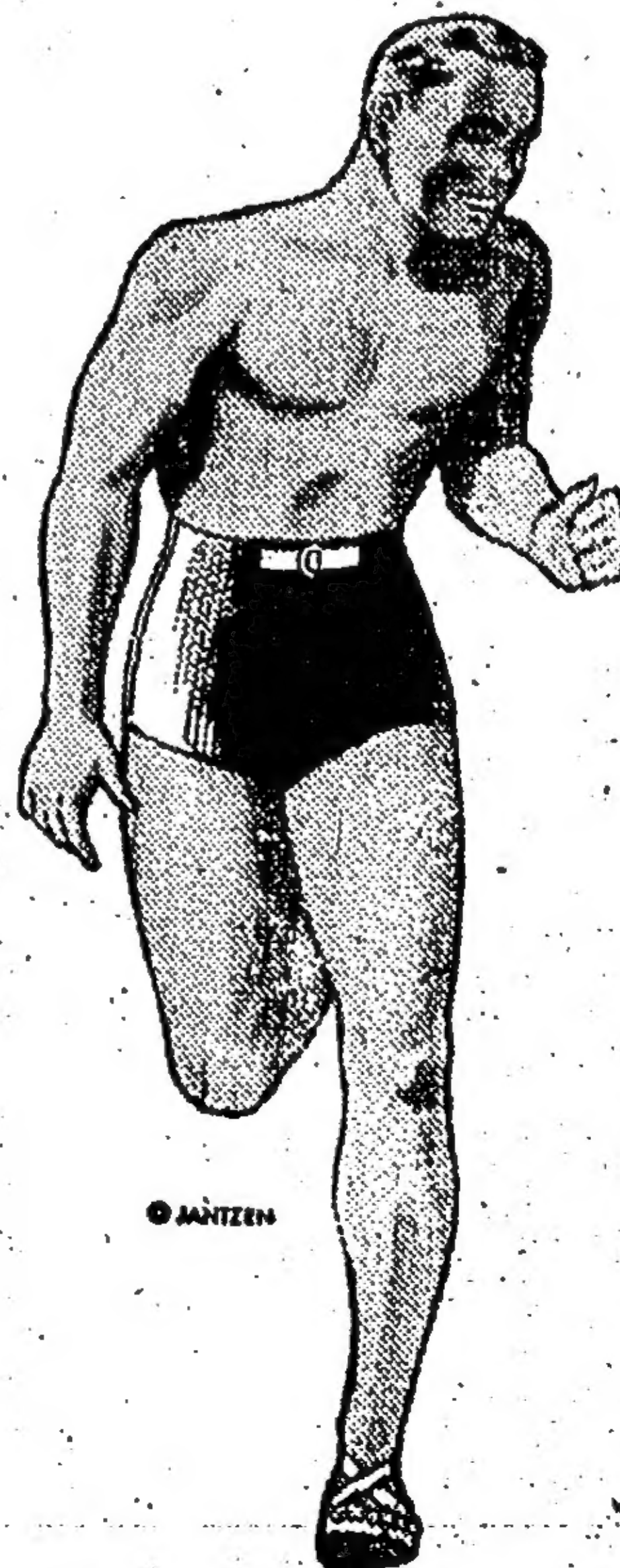


Mrs. Petherick, Mrs. Lockhart, Mr. Lookhart, Mr. Allan and Mrs. Millard. (Fotopix).



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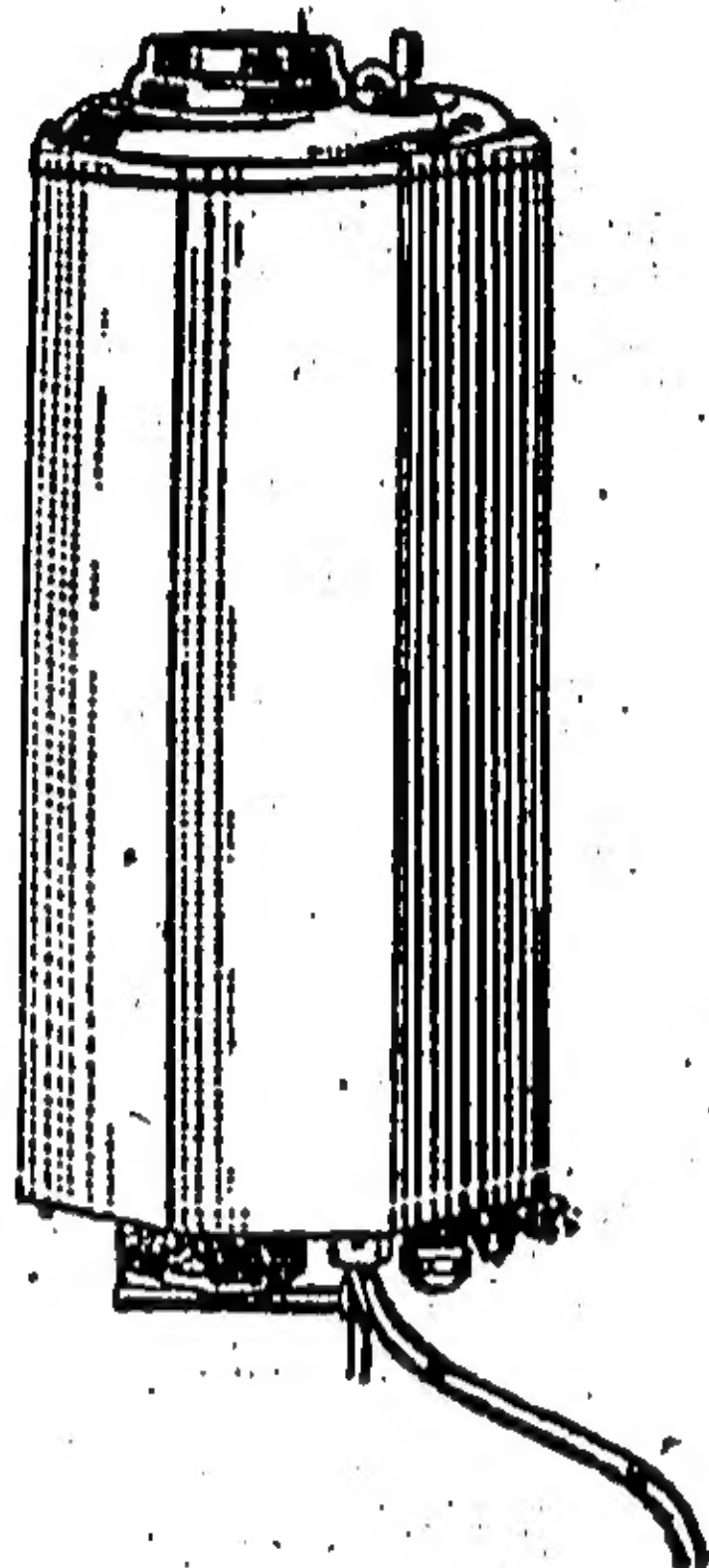
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Mrs. Wilson, wife of Capt. Wilson of Royal Artillery. (Kahn).



(Above)—Mrs. Holmes and His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor. (Kahn). (Below)—Guests at the curry dinner given by Mr. Frank Goodwin in honour of the Kowloon Cricket Club eleven who won the First Division League Cricket Championship. (Foot of page) Kowloon Cricket Club's general committee for 1939-1940. (Fotoplax).



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Mrs. Ronald Ashby and Lt.-Comdr. Grossman snapped in between races. (Kahn).

Mr. G. Treverton by Mrs. ... pony had handicap in (Kahn).



(Above)—Major K. S. Simpson, one of the Club's veterinary surgeons, and official measurers, and Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, one of the Stewards. (Left) — Weetoo's Fair Chance (Mr. Proulx up) being led in after its fine win over Rowan in the Canterbury Park Handicap. (Below) — Mr. Ellis, who has left for Home, and Mr. and Mrs. Oakley. (Foot of Page) Mrs. and Miss Turnbull and Mrs. Aubrey, while standing on the ground is Mrs. F. A. Petrie. (Kahn).



Mrs. McGlynn caught in a pensive mood. (Kahn).

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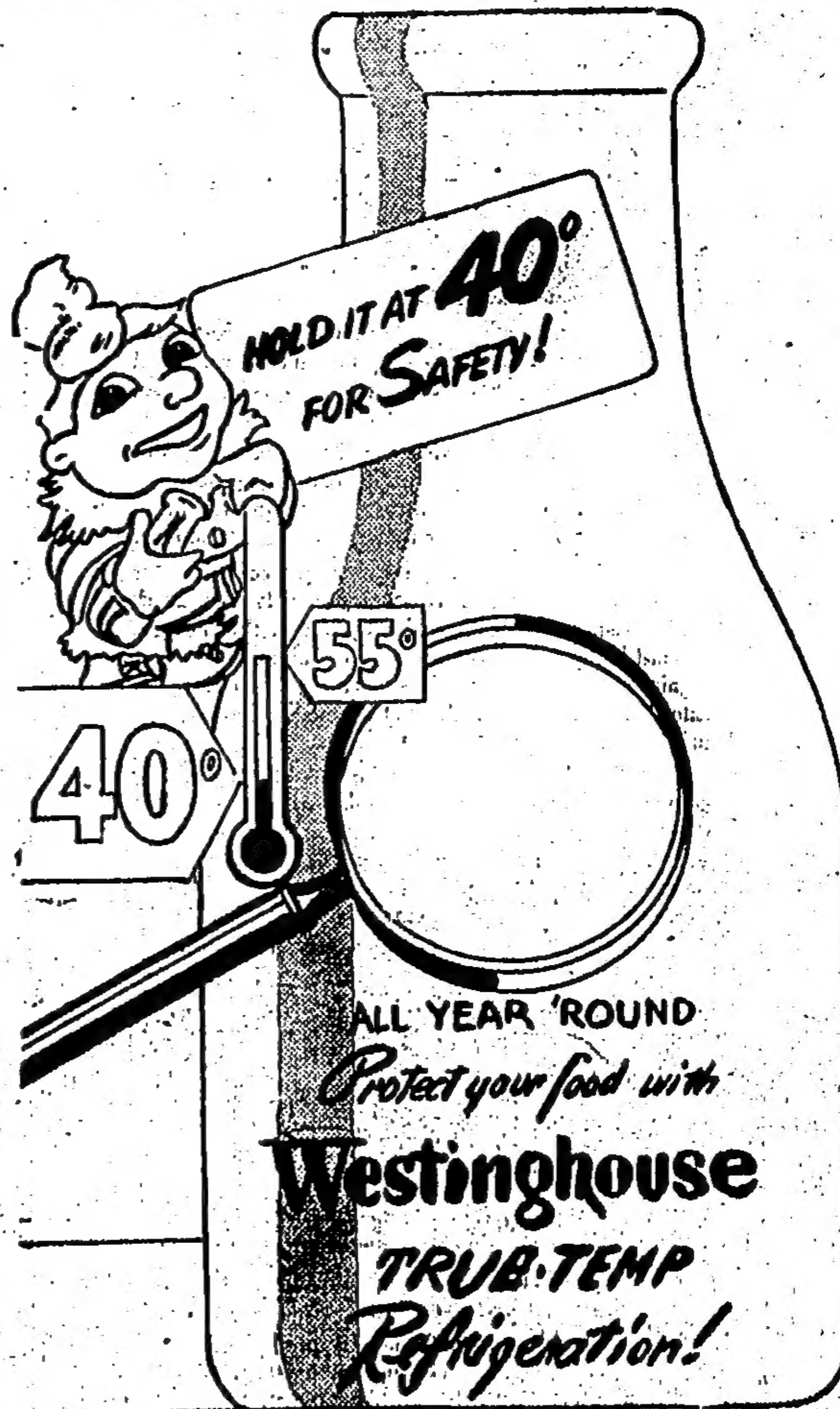
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LETTER TO PARIS

The London Tailor

Mon Cher Ami,

You libel the English when you say that they are cold-hearted. This is not true. I could write a book about the admirable qualities of the Englishman. What if I have laughed a little at the English fear of women, the English laws pertaining to drink, and the curious food of the country? Bah! Bah! I say again! Does a man have to shriek in ecstasy at the smell of an omelette and ruin himself in gardenias for sou-brettes, in order to be a civilised man? No!

But it was my intention to speak to you of the London tailor. Perhaps, indeed, a realisation of his superiority caused me to digress in my preliminary paragraph.

If, for example, you went to a Paris tailor, and said—"My friend, I have a feeling that the addition of a green velvet collar will add tone to my overcoat"; he would agree, and even suggest a little green braid at the cuffs and a couple of green buttons in the small of the back.

Try any such eccentricity in Savile Row, and you will be made to wish that the earth has opened and swallowed you.

Remember: England was the birthplace of the Dandy. It was in England that the vogue for dark, plain clothes originated, in the days of Beau Brummell. He laid down rules of masculine dress which persist to this very day. *Everything must be plain; but perfect*, he said. *The elegant man must aspire to the inconspicuous*. He put his heel upon eccentricities of colour or cut. His standards were unalterable.

The London tailor's salon has the atmosphere of a cathedral. It is silent, full of shadows. One walks on

After you have gone through fantastic adventures your suit is at last ready and wherever you go men will pass you by without a second glance . . . that is the end which English tailors alone can achieve.

tip-toe, and dares not to raise one's voice. Stacked on tables you see huge rolls of cloth, like the pipes of a dumb organ; or hanging pattern-books like the chained volumes in antique churches. The floor is muffled in carpet. Like figures in a stained-glass window, you see immemorially old framed fashion-plates.

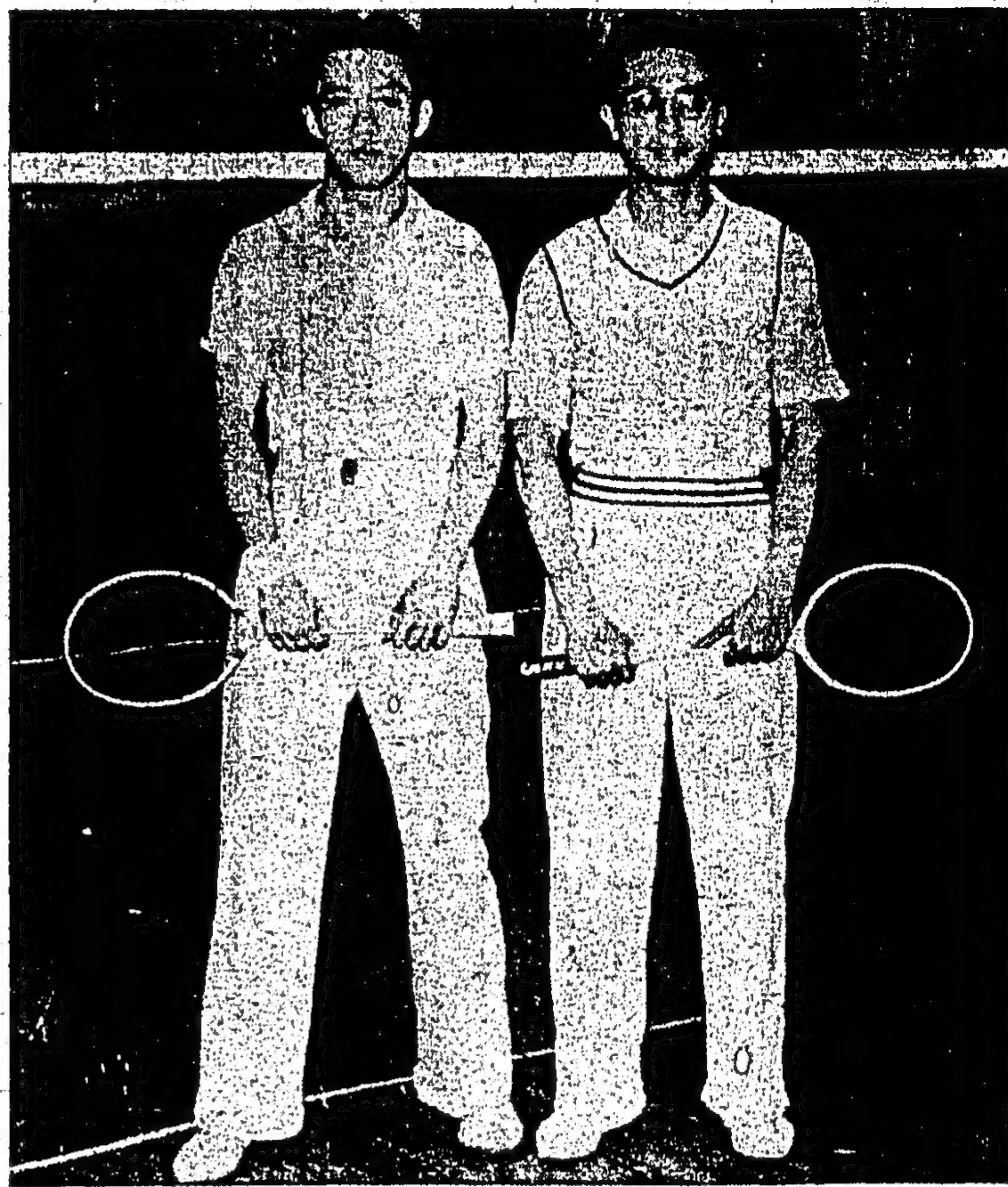
You tremble. The tailor asks what you want. He asks your name, address, antecedents, friends, and the name of the person who dared to recommend you to come to him. He doesn't want your custom, it appears. He offers you a cigarette. You fear the man is merely testing you; that he does not serve smokers. "No," you say.

It may be that your glance falls on something with a distinctive stripe. (You remember that salmon-pink shooting-coat, which I had for nearly fifteen years before moths carried off its sleeves?) You say:—"I like that." The tailor looks at you, and replies:—"No sir. No, I'm sure you don't like that. Then he shows you a roll of something more mournful.

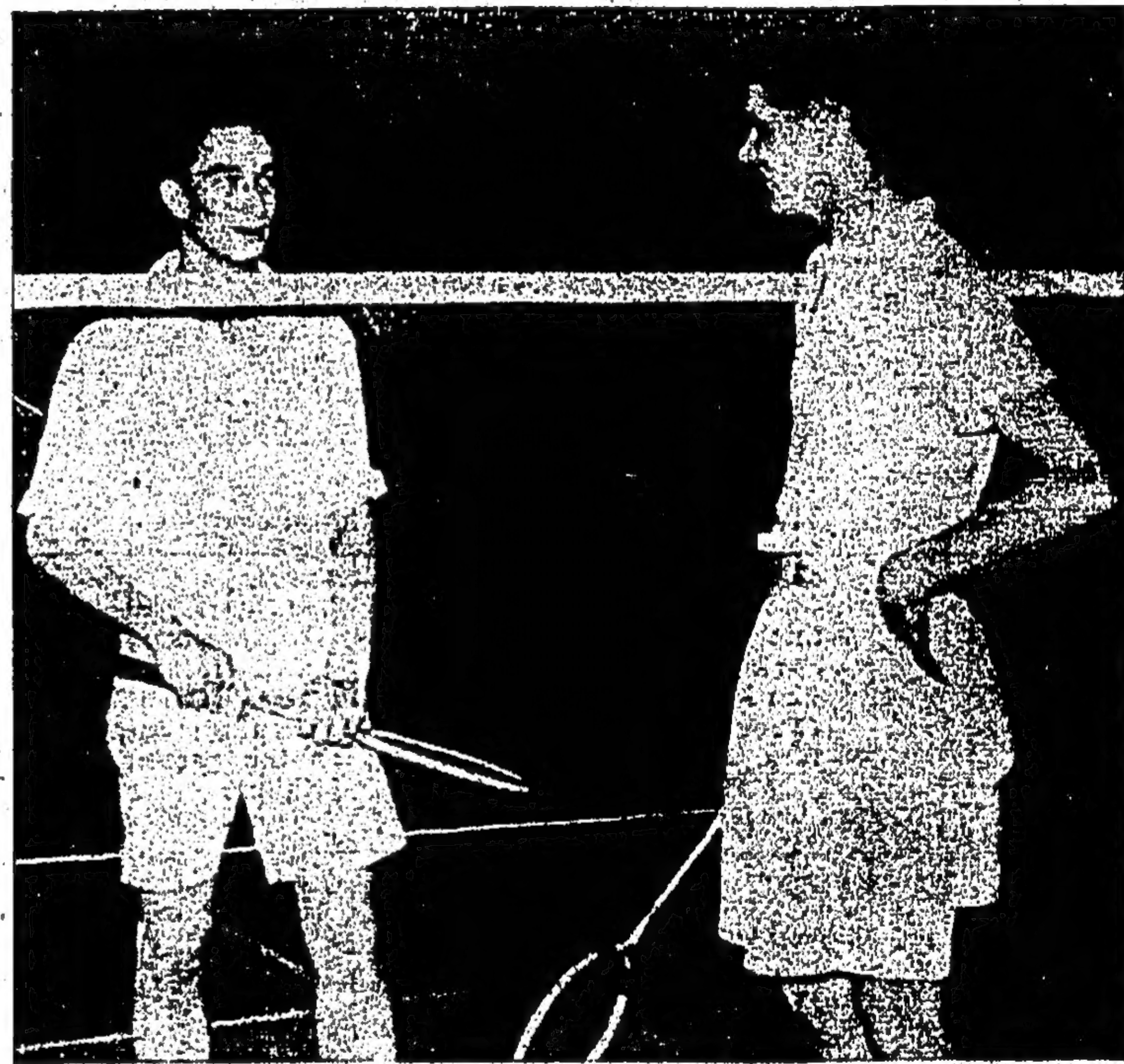
He is a tyrant. You explain to him that you want the coat half an inch shorter. He simply ignores you; looks at your coat, and shakes his head as one who might say: *Such things are; there are disgusting facts to which one must not blind oneself* . . . You say:—"I think I should like the lapel a shade wider." "No sir," he says. You'd regret it if you had the lapel wider, sir. Poor Prince von Howitzer had a figure similar to yours, sir, and

Now you know, mon cher, I have always had a desire for double-breasted waistcoats. But do you imagine that I could induce this man to make me one? no! He

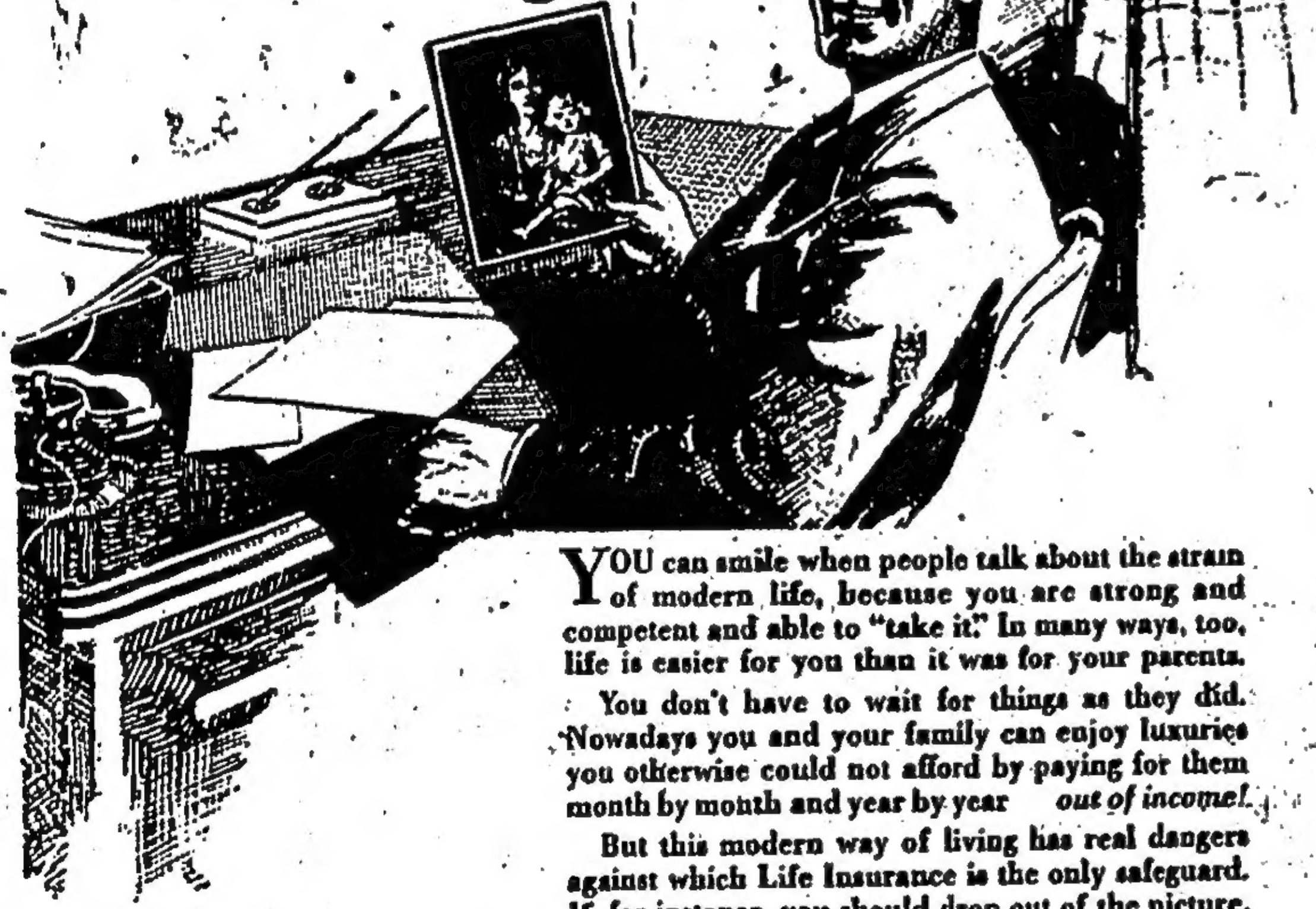
Badminton Finalists



C. Au (left), last year's finalist, and Patrick Wong after their Colony Senior Championship Final at Recrelo last Monday. Wong, winner in 1936, won 8-15, 15-8, 15-12. (Fotopix).



Norman Smith, C.B.S. schoolboy, left, and W. Gillies before the start of the Colony Junior Championship Final, which Gillies surprisingly won by 15-10, after leading 10-0, and 15-4. (Fotopix).

Message to a man who is *Not* afraid of living

YOU can smile when people talk about the strain of modern life, because you are strong and competent and able to "take it." In many ways, too, life is easier for you than it was for your parents.

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looked at me, and smiled pityingly. "Much too square," was all he said.

He is the exact reverse of the Yes-man. He is a No-man. You are his. You are something which he must dress. It is his duty to turn you out in the Brummell tradition. He fears for his descendants. One day, somebody may ask:—"Who's your tailor?" Then, if anything is not as it should be, his name will be mud.

It is a laborious business. He measures you with precision. He fits you again and again. When all seems to be over, and you proudly observe yourself, beautifully dressed in a superb suit, he whips out a penknife and cuts off your collar, or tears a sleeve out by the roots.

In the end, after a few weeks, when all is said and done, you say:—"Bill!" He waves the matter aside, with the superb carelessness of an artist. When the time is ripe, he will send it to you; not before. Never dare to pay him on the spot. He will curl his lip, and think:—"Pah! A cash-customer! Bah! A plebeian! You must never dream of paying him before the passing of the year, or eighteen months. Then

you must give him fifty pounds on account, and order another eighty poundsworth of goods.

It is all too fantastic.

But when, in the end, he looks over his own handiwork which hangs, in superb lines from your body; when he surveys you from head to foot, and says, doubtfully:—"Mumm, yes, ye-es, I think that is a fairly clean jacket . . ."—when he says this, then you know, my friend, that wherever you go; in the streets of New York; in the dim grey squares of London; men will pass you by without a second glance. They will take in your clothes as part of yourself; and that means to say you are really and truly well dressed.

This is the end at which Beau Brummell aimed—divine inconspicuousness. And that is the end which English tailors alone can achieve.

You ask about sport. I have no time to write more now. I embrace you all. I am sorry to hear that Mitzi has freckles. Kiss her for me also.

TON AMI.
ALPHONSE.

POTPOURRI

An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous odds and Ends Noted in the Month's Reading.

A friend told me that during the last war when the Zeppelins were raiding London, an elderly maid presented herself in the following get-up: she tied a dustpan on her head and in her left hand held a Bible. We may smile, but from a psychotherapeutic point of view it served this person well.

—Walter Schimideberg in *Life and Letters To-day*, London.

THERE are only 40,000 Germans and 200,000 Argentines of German blood in Argentine. But they are Nazi. Only a fraction have stood out against the methods of the organizers, Gestapo killers, and the "diplomats," who have spread their brown network into every town and village.

I talked with the German servant of a foreign family in Buenos Aires.

"They offered my little girl a free trip to Germany," she said. "I was very proud. But my little girl came back a Nazi. I had no political beliefs. My girl came back a Nazi and an anti-Christian and they made her testify against me. I was threatened. Now they take part of my money every week for their newspapers, their anti-Jewish and anti-American literature. I must report every week and they even ask me about the conversation in this home where I work. And I am an Argentinian. I was born in this country and I have never seen Germany."

Thousands could tell the same story. In the German embassy there is a file card for every Argentine of German origin. Notations are made on his political reliability, his employers, what he has been able to do in commercial espionage, how he has helped propaganda, his relations with Jews, his club affiliations and attendance record, and, finally,

his relatives in Germany. It is primarily by the threat—frequently not idle—of sending relatives to concentration camps that Hitler has his way with German-blooded Argentines.

—John T. Whitaker in *"America to the South,"* (Macmillan).

WAR, one war after another. Men start 'em who couldn't put up a good hen-roost.—Ezra Pound.

THE following is the authentic record of a conversation overheard in an A.R.P. depot where patriotic ladies volunteer to be on duty for a certain number of hours each day, in case of an air raid.

First lady: "I don't know what I shall do when this rationing business comes into force. I eat such a lot of butter, and I can't do without it."

Second lady: "Yes it's too dreadful, isn't it? The poor people are so much better off than we are, because, of course, they are used to margarine. My charwoman has a large family and I am sure she always eats margarine and won't want all her butter coupons. I hope I shall be able to get her to give her butter coupons to me. She won't mind."

First lady: "How lucky you are. Of course, that sort of person doesn't use butter at all."

—Critic in *New Statesman and Nation*, London.

THERE was a lion cub, mascot of the Lafayette Escadrille, who was noted in orders because of his anti-aircraft observation work. He set up such a roar one night that the pilots all ran to his cage to investigate. They had just got clear of their barracks when a bomb hit it.

—*New York Sunday Times*, New York.



Her Majesty the Queen recently inspected the London Scottish, of which she is Hon. Colonel, "somewhere in Kent". Here is a typical study of the Queen during her inspection. (Copyright, Fox).



(Below)—A group photograph taken at the opening by Lady Northcote of the new building of the Hong Kong Red Swastika Society at Eastern Terrace, Causeway Bay, last Tuesday. President of this peace promotion group is Mr. Li Shih-hao, former Minister of Finance in the Chinese Government, and hon. presidents are Dr. C. T. Wang, former Chinese Ambassador to America, and Dr. K. L. Riechelt. (King's Studio).

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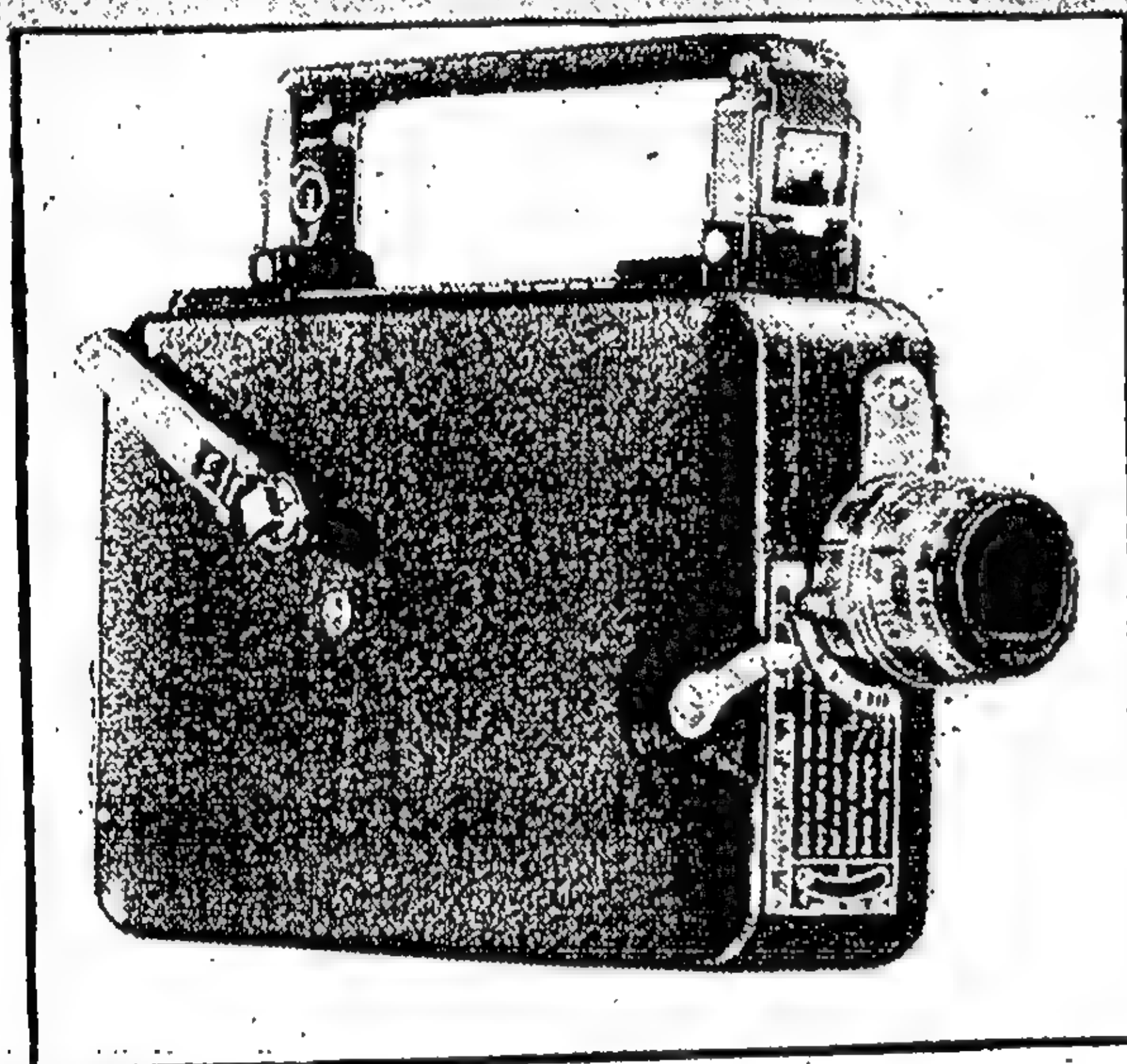
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A group photograph taken before the annual match between the Foreign and Chinese Staff of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The match was played last Monday and resulted in a win for the Chinese by 6 goals to 3. Among the above are K. Forrow, Leung Wing-chiu and Chan Tak-fai of soccer fame, R. G. Castleton, I. Macrea, J. Hutchison and G. B. Godfrey of Rugger note and Luk Ding-cheong, C.R.C. tennis player.

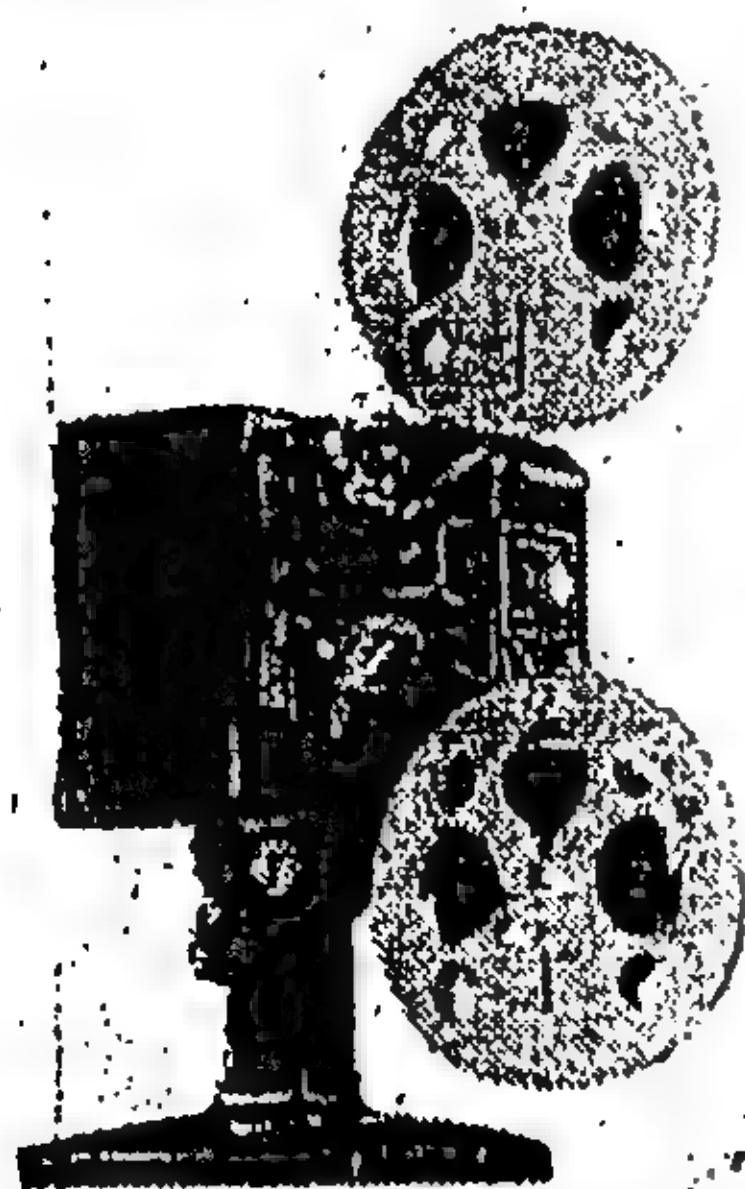
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Winners this season have been:—First Division—Winners, South China "A"; Runners-up, Eastern. Second Division—Winners, South China; Runners-up, Royal Engineers. Third Division—Winners, 24th R.A.; Runners-up, R.A.S.C. Senior Shield—Winners, Eastern; Runners-up, South China "A". Junior Shield—Winners, 30th R.A.; Runners-up, Royal Engineers. Governor's Cup—Winners, Chinese Federation; Runners-up, Football Association. Lal Wah Cup—Winners, Combined Chinese; Runners-up, Army. "Sunday Herald" Cup—Winners, China; Runners-up, Scotland. Interports—lost to Shanghai; beat Saigon; beat Macao.



Mrs. Lo presenting the Third Division Cup to the captain of the 24th Battery, Royal Artillery. Also in the picture are Mr. L. F. Souza, assistant hon. secretary of H.K.F.A., Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, chairman of the League Management Committee, and Mr. F. A. Barretto, a well-known referee.



From left to right are Mr. W. Pryde, chairman of Hong Kong Football Association and the Club, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, H.K.F.A. vice-president, His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Lady MacGregor and Mrs. M. K. Lo, who is just about to present one of the prizes.

F.A. JUNIOR SHIELD WINNERS



The Junior Shield winners, 30th Battery, Royal Artillery, with Halpin, the captain, sitting in the centre with the Shield. This was the first 30th success in this competition. The other finalists were Royal Engineers, winners three times in the last six seasons.

Shanghai Letter

German Propaganda Causes Mirth: Capt. Herzberg farewelled after 40 years with Signals Coy. Hero realistically handcuffed in "Night Must Fall."

Shanghai, April 16. **ALTHOUGH** the municipal elections have passed off quietly, and although so far the Japanese ratepayers have taken what amounted to virtual defeat—quietly, there is no telling what may yet be in store for this city. The ratepayers meeting to-morrow will do little to clarify the situation, it being felt that if anything is done it will originate in Tokyo or else the military headquarters in Hongkew. On the other hand, Shanghai has been through so many crises in the past few years that little concern is being felt right now.

Shanghai life is dominated by the war news that reaches this city hourly. Extras are again the order of the day, afternoon papers appearing with their first edition at about 11 a.m. and morning papers putting out free bulletins just before then. The last paper appears on the streets at about 7 p.m. and, with broadcasts until 11.30 p.m., Shanghai is probably one of the best-informed cities in the world.

The "Noon Extra," a German-owned English-language daily, appears as usual with Dr. Goebbels' version of what is happening in Scandinavia and, while Shanghai-landers have learned to ignore this rag which now has a circulation of about 150 (as against 500 when it first appeared on the streets in September), it was the cause of universal hilarity last week when it continued to maintain steadfastly that there was no naval battle at all in Scandinavian waters or anywhere else. Just what the real meaning of the word "battle" is in German, appears to be rather doubtful as a result of these claims, because in the very same issue in which the non-existence of a battle was played up on the front page, a small dispatch from Berlin revealed that the German High Command had admitted the loss of the Bluecher and the Karlsruhe.

Last week also the local Germans elected their own committees to rule the German community for the ensuing year. Interesting addition to the various sub-committees is that for broadcasting, because you must know that the Germans rent a Chinese-owned radio station for two periods of 15 minutes a day to amuse the local English-speaking community, just as is the case with the Berlin stations which have come in for so much praise from fun-loving Britons at Home who tune in regularly.

Test Answers

(QUESTIONS ON PAGE 6)

(1) Robinson Crusoe, whose servant was named Friday. (2) An ornamented peace pipe used by American Indians. (3) No, they are mammals. (4) Pearl Buck wrote about China and won the Nobel Prize for Literature. (5) A camel. (6) Wear it; a scarab is an Egyptian beetle, more usually a piece of jewellery that looks like one. (7) Bend your knee as in kneeling. (8) A horoscope is a chart of the planets, used by fortune tellers; a microscope is used to magnify objects otherwise invisible; a stereoscope blends two images into one by means of lenses, so that a picture viewed appears to have three dimensions. (9) A lyre is an ancient form of harp, the symbol of poetry; lira is Italy's unit of currency. (10) Anatomical; it is a network of nerves behind the stomach. (11) To indicate that they were all equal, no one ranking higher than the other. (12) Yes, because mercury (popularly known as quicksilver) has a greater density than iron, although it is liquid at ordinary temperatures. (13) Rear end. (14) Robert Burns.

The broadcasts, you must know, are being conducted by a little boy who has a German passport but nothing else that is German. He has never been in Germany, cannot speak the language nor has he any of the characteristics so well monopolised by the Teutons. He gets a nice little salary and seems to be of the opinion that at so much a word he might as well amuse the audience—and he does.

FAREWELL TO CAPT. HERZBERG
ANOTHER annual S.V.C. dinner was held last week when the Signals Coy. turned out *en masse* to bid farewell to Captain A. Herzberg, C.O., who is retiring at the end of this month after 40 years in the Corps. He was the originator of the Signals Coy. and his retirement will be a loss not only to his Company but to the entire Volunteer Corps. Among those who attended the function were Mr. C. S. Franklin, retiring chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, Col. J. W. Hornby, Commandant of the Corps, and Capt. Miles, who will probably take over command of the Company at the end of April.

Mr. Herzberg, who is devoting his life to the welfare of Jewish refugees from Nazi Germany in Shanghai, was the recipient of many presents, and, when it was time for him to reply to the many good wishes that were extended to him by the various speakers, he was obviously very moved.

Incidentally, Mr. Herzberg was until a few months ago on the staff of the Hamburg-Amerika Line, the German shipping firm, notwithstanding the fact that he was of Jewish faith. Ever since Hitler came to power, efforts were made by certain quarters in Shanghai and Berlin to oust him from his position, but the shipping concern, knowing that it was Mr. Herzberg who had made the firm's Far Eastern business what it was, sent appeal after appeal to the Aryan-conscious Berlin officials. Finally he had to go. The company's officials here did not feel the blow so much because there is no business for German ships at the present time anyway. Mr. Herzberg thereupon decided to offer his valuable services to the local committee looking after refugees, and in that position he has done remarkable work.

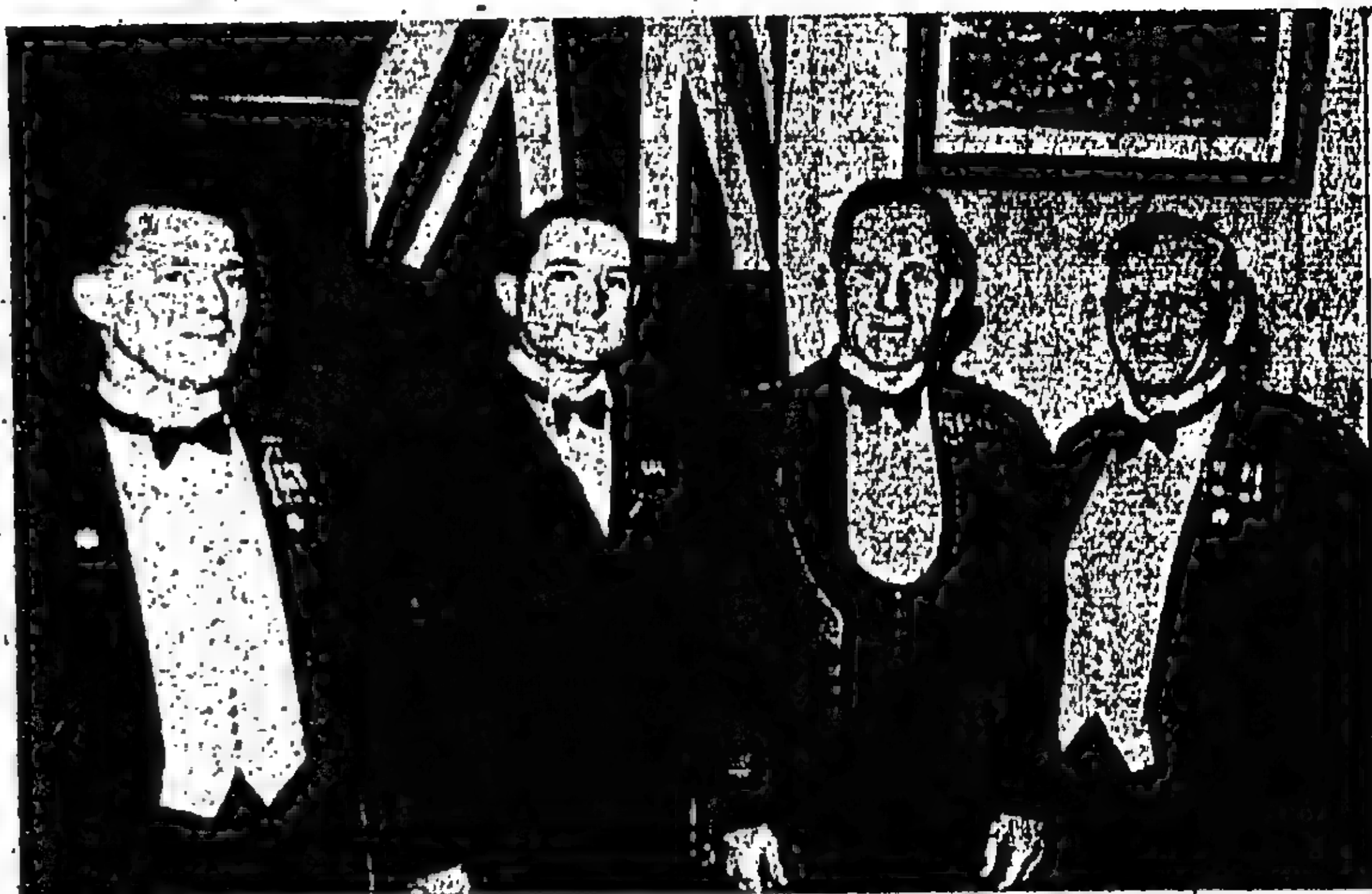
The Signals Coy dance was one of the nicest functions he had attended, Mr. Herzberg said, and although he was no longer to take an active part in the Company's activities, he would continue to be very much interested in everything they did. He wished members of the unit continued success in their S.V.C. work as well as in their other calls in life.

VOLUNTEERS' PARADE

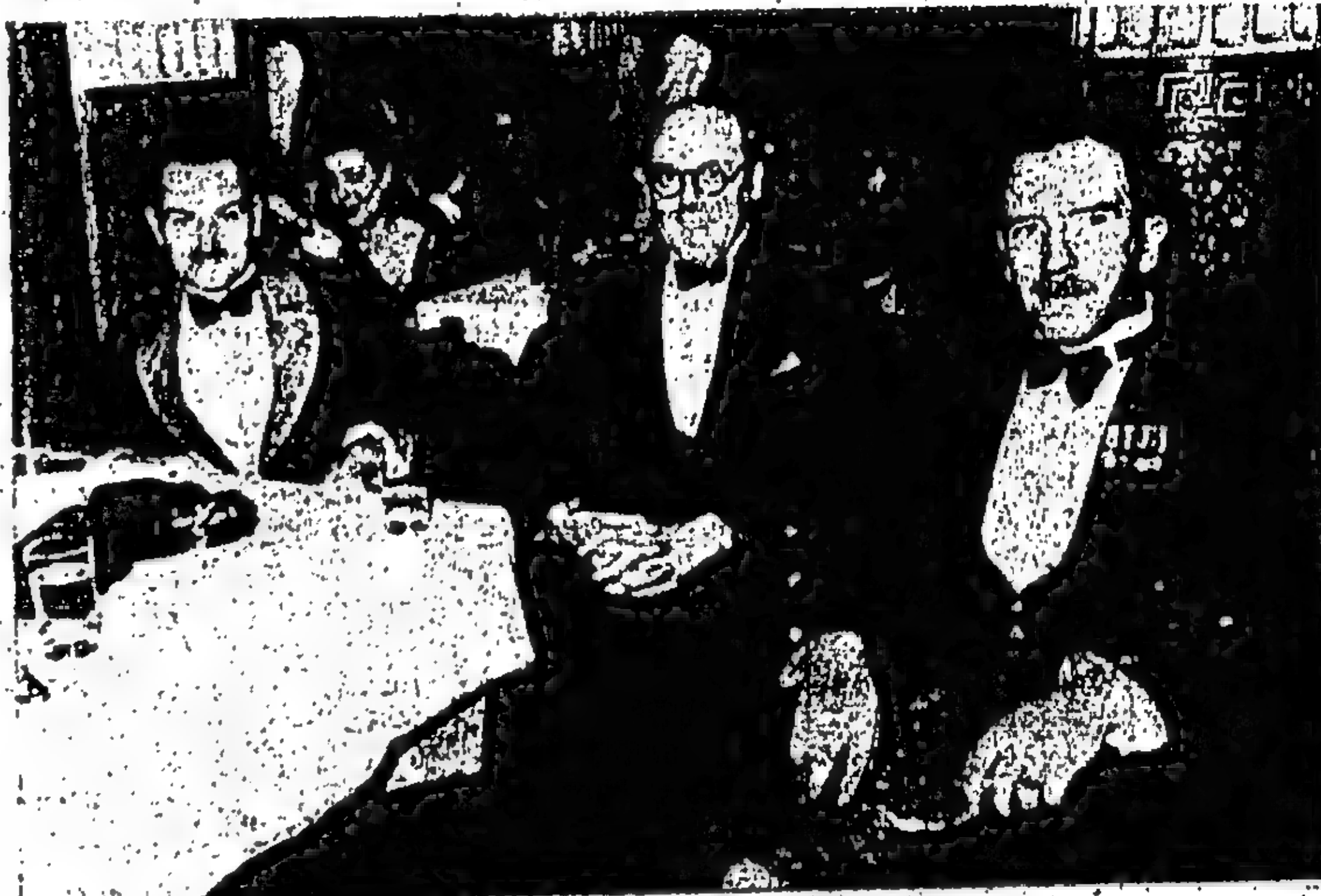
THE annual parade of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps was held on Sunday afternoon and again served to be an outstanding example of the efficiency of the Corps. For two hours before the parade started, thousands of foreigners and Chinese lined Bubbling Well Road from the Race Course to Carter Road. Reserved seats for official guests at the saluting base were occupied well before the strains of martial music were heard in the distance.

MAESTRO'S BUSY WEEK

MAESTRO Mario Paci, Conductor of the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra, who is reputed to be the outstanding musician in the Far East, is presenting three of his piano pupils in a concert at the Lyceum Theatre this week. The performers are Miss Rosa Schiffmann, Miss Mary Shen and Miss Leyda Pezzini, and the full municipal orchestra will take part. The affair promises



Capt. Miles, Mr. C. S. Franklin, Col. Hornby and Capt. Herzberg, retiring C.O., snapped at the Shanghai Signals Company Dance.



Capt. Langley, C.O., Mr. Weldon and Mr. Tait, seen at the Shanghai Scottish Dance.

to become an outstanding one and seats, as far as I was able to learn this morning, have all been either booked or sold out.

REALISTIC HANDCUFFS

"NIGHT MUST FALL" was presented by the Amateur Dramatic Club last week, and as is usually the case with our A.D.C. plays, it left nothing to be desired. The five houses were packed, and members of the cast were deservedly lauded for their excellent work. Drama almost resulted from the dress-rehearsal, however.

To those who are familiar with the play, it will not be news to learn that the hero is handcuffed during a certain part of the play.

The "Hero" . . . if a youth addicted to liquidating his acquaintances can be so classified . . . nearly spent the night, instead of the few

minutes after the curtain fell . . . in handcuffs.

It happened this way: At the dress rehearsal the "darbies" were duly snapped on the wrists of the wayward gentleman. He sneered with appropriate insolence . . . Curtain! Then . . . due to a defective spring, or the irony of fate, or what have you . . . the handcuffs refused to come off. Result: A trip to Chengtu Road police station . . . around 2 a.m. on a chilly, gray morning . . . for expert assistance.

COLONEL H. CASSEVILLE, Commanding Officer of the French forces stationed in China, who is leaving for France shortly to go on active service, was the guest of honour at a number of farewell functions during the past few weeks. Col. J. L. Eissautier will succeed him in the local command.



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THE WORLD--IN LIGHTER VEIN

Policeman (to motorist bending over pedestrian): How did you knock him down?

Motorist: I didn't. I pulled up to let him go past, and he fainted.

Dan: Mah cousin, Delilah, had her face lifted.

Jim: Had her face lifted?

Dan: Yassuh. But it didn't take. When de doctors give her de bill, her face fell!

"Does you husband talk in his sleep?"

"No, doctor, he only smiles, the wretch."

Love is an itch that you can't scratch, and marriage is a cure that keeps you scratching for the rest of your life!

A salesman taking his bride South on their honeymoon, visited an hotel where they boasted of their fine honey.

"Sambo," he asked the coloured waiter, "where's my honey?"

"Ah don't know, boss," replied Sambo, eyeing the lady cautiously, "she don' work here no mo'."

The boss related an original joke to the various employees in the office, who all laughed uproariously—except Jones.

"You don't find my little joke very amusing, Mr. Jones?" asked the boss ominously.

"I don't have to—I'm leaving tomorrow," came the reply.

Child: But, mamma, I'm not hungry. I ate the raisins off the flypaper.

Mother: Don't you think, Mary, you are getting too old to play with the boys?

Mary: No, mamma. The older I get the better I like them.

Editor: Did you cut down that farm story to a thousand words?

Author: Yes, sir. Even the cow gives condensed milk in it.

A Chinaman residing in London received a Government form to fill in, and, after much trouble, returned it with the following entries:—

Name: Ah Choo. Born: Yes. Business: Terrible.

"Your lordship," said the lawyer, "I submit that my client did not break into the house at all. He found a window open and merely inserted his arm and removed several trifling articles. My client's arm is not himself, and I fail to see how you can justly punish the whole individual for an offence committed by one of his limbs."

"Very well," said the judge, "I sentence the defendant's arm to two years' imprisonment, and he can accompany his arm if he wishes."

A girl with brains usually goes to the head of the class, but the girl with class usually goes to the head of the professor.

Policeman (after collision): "You saw the lady driving towards you. Why didn't you give her half the road?"

Motorist: "I was going to as soon as I could discover which half she wanted."



Shell House Journal, Australia.

Gallant guest to hostess (as they walk towards table): "And may I sit on your right hand?"

Hostess: "No. I'll have to eat with that. You'd better get a chair."

An old flame has sent many a man dashing for the fire-escape.

Visitor: "How do you like your new neighbours, Willie?"

Willie: "I don't like them at all. They're too quiet."

Visitor: "Too quiet?"

Willie: "Yes. Mamma makes me keep still all the time so that she can hear what they're saying."

"But, darling, if I marry you I'll lose my job."

"Can't we keep our marriage a secret?"

"But suppose we have a baby?"

"Oh, we'll tell the baby, of course."

Clerk (to applicant for dole): "And what money have you in the bank?"

Applicant: "A thousand pounds."

Clerk: "Aw, you're kidding."

Applicant: "Well you started it."

The old negro was up in a plane for the first time. After a few stunts, looping the loop, twisting and banking the pilot landed.

"Well, Snowball, how did you enjoy the trip?" he asked.

Said Snowball: "Ah'd sooner be on terra firma, the more firmah the less terrah."

Judge: "What, you here again? Aren't you ashamed to be here?"

Prisoner: "No, your honour. What's good enough for you is good enough for me."

A donkey had been very stubborn, and the man, exasperated, had gone to a chemist for something to make it go. The chemist gave it something, and before they could recover their wits the donkey was out of sight.

"How much did you give it?" asked the man.

"Four drops," answered the chemist.

"Well, give me eight drops—I've got to catch it."

Customer: "I shall be sending my mother-in-law along with my dog to be poisoned. Will you be ready?"

Assistant: "Certainly, sir. Will the dog be able to find its way home?"

They had been thrown out of the bar for being a bit too noisy.

"Get up and let's go home," said one.

"I can't," said his pal. "My nose is stuck in the tram line."

"Well, I never," gasped the first. "Hitch up your legs and I'll shove you down to the terminus."

Two coloured boys were having an argument about ghosts. One of them claimed to have seen a ghost on the night before.

"What was dis here ghos' doin' when you las' seen him?" asked the doubting one.

Jes' fallin' behin', mistah; fallin' behin' rapid."

Johnny was angry with his new governess. "Now," ordered his mother, "you go in and kiss her like a good boy."

"Oh, yes," said Johnny, "and get my face slapped like Dad did."

Plumber (at phone): "What's that? A leak in the water pipe? Well, tell yer 'usband to keep his 'and over it. And just hang on a minute and I'll tell you what day I can come."

Doctor: "Your husband needs complete rest and quiet. Call at the surgery for a sleeping draught."

Wife: "When shall I give it to him?"

Doctor: "Don't. Take it yourself."

Doctor: "You are slightly morbid, my dear lady. You should look about you and marry again."

Widow: "Oh, doctor, is this a proposal?"

Doctor: "Allow me to remind you, madam, that a doctor prescribes medicine, but he doesn't take it."

Binks: "How old is Miss Brown?"

Banks: "I don't know, but last year she had a birthday cake, with candles, and three of the guests were overcome by the heat."



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"I assume, Sir, that I too may retain my moustache?"—London Opinion.



Mr. I. Kempton, Miss Audrey Oakenfall, Miss Jean Forbes and Mr. Williamson. (Fotopix).



Mr. R. J. Cloake, Miss Doris Brooks and Mrs. and Mr. Bicknell. (Fotopix).



(Above)—Mr. W. J. Ashton, assistant-secretary of the "Y" and who is leaving shortly for England, and a friend. (Left)—Mrs. Macklin, the hockey player. (Right)—Yvonne, whose crooning proved very popular, and Art Carneiro, conductor of the orchestra. (Below)—Mr. A. C. Jeffreys' party, which included Miss Rita Cole, Mr. H. J. Millington, Miss Iris Woolley and Mr. D. W. Joyce. (Fotopix).



AT THE "Y" LADIES' DANCE

IN AID OF B.W.O.F.



Mimi Jordan, whose Hungarian dance number was a very pleasing feature of the cabaret. (Fotopix).



Pauline Strange in Scottish attire for her Highland Flying number. (Fotopix).

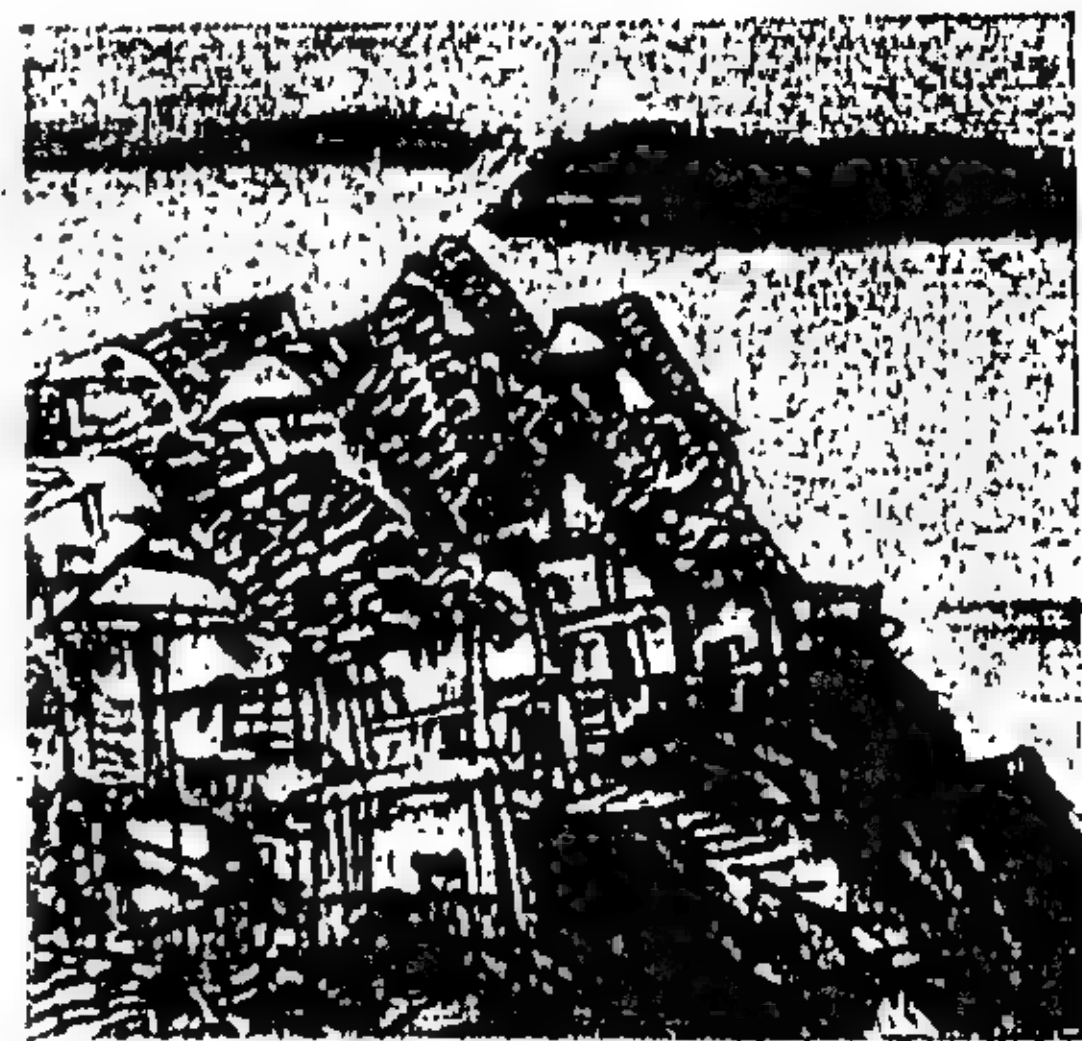
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Madame Lin Fong-min, wife of the talented Chinese artist from Kwang-tung Province, photographed alongside one of her husband's black and white studies. Madame Lin had often attempted to persuade her husband to exhibit his work in Shanghai, but it was only last year that she succeeded. The success of the one-man exhibition—there are over 100 examples of his work—forced him to consent to a showing in Hong Kong, where he has been no less successful. (Kahn.)

Chinese Art Exhibition

Examples of Mr. Lin Fong-min's work at the recent exhibition at Hong Kong University. At right is "House on the hill." Below, "Warrior," and lower right "Actress." (Kahn.)

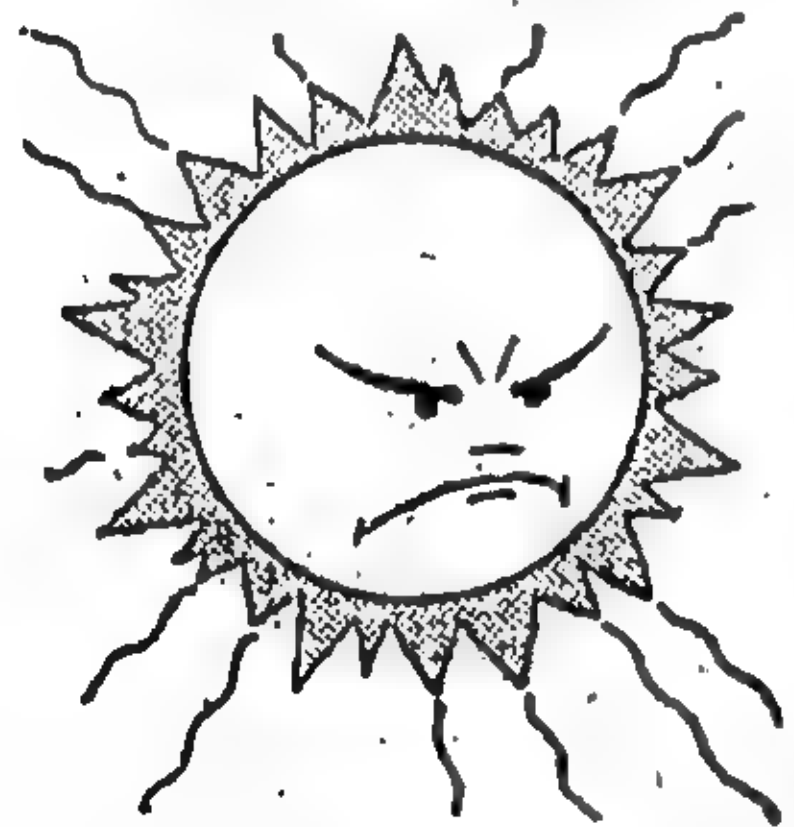


This happy group of children was photographed on the occasion of the eighth birthday of Avril, bonny daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clarke of Homantin Hill. Avril is seen sitting on the left. (Kahn.)



Joyous, childish laughter was the order of the afternoon at Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Bartley's residence in Kennedy Road when their little son was given a really merry birthday party.

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Shadow of the Swastika Over Netherlands

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

London, Yesterday.

The German threat hanging over the Netherlands is more immediate to-day than the threat over Sweden, British political circles assert.

They point out that Hitler appears to be more and more inclined to play all his cards against Britain as quickly as possible and to establish naval and air bases closer to British shores.

German troop movements along the Dutch borders and transfer of German capital from Dutch banks during the past days are regarded as very significant. — Havas.

NAZIS REPULSED NEAR DOMBAAS

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
IT IS LEARNED IN LONDON ON GOOD AUTHORITY THAT THE FRONT AT NAMSOS HAS NOW BEEN ESTABLISHED.

In the Dombaas area the British were attacked near Kvam, south of Otto, and the enemy were beaten back with heavy losses.

The British troops then came under heavy machine-gun and trench mortar fire and withdrew slightly to positions less exposed.

In the Bergen area the Norwegians are reported to be holding positions in the neighbourhood of Voss, with the Germans advancing along the railway from Bergen.

The Germans have also apparently landed troops in Hardanger Fjord. It is reported the Norwegians are resisting in the area of Ness, about 100 miles east of Bergen.

The Allied forces are making full use of Indian Army officers who have had extensive experience in mountain warfare.

Germans Halted

London, Yesterday.
The German troops advancing northwards from Trondheim and those advancing southwards from Trondheim have been halted by the Allied forces, and the front has now been established.

Yesterday's fighting at Namsos, prisoners were taken in patrol encounters. The Germans were beaten off with heavy losses half way between Oslo and Trondheim. — Reuter.

Pressure Maintained

London, Yesterday.
A War Office communique issued this afternoon confirms that between Oslo and Trondheim a heavy German attack was driven off with consequent enemy losses.

The Germans maintained their pressure and attacked our lines of communication and bases.

In the Steinkjer area the position is substantially unchanged. Our patrols are active and have captured some prisoners. — Reuter.

Nazi Communique

Berlin, Yesterday.
A High Command communique says when German troops reached Lillehammer and Trondheim on April 22 and 23 they encountered British troops for the first time.

The communique says the British, who came from Andalsnes, were completely taken by surprise and were defeated, retreating in the direction of Dombaas, and left arms and material behind.

It also claims nearly 200 prisoners were taken, including "a British troop staff and commander," together with important political and military documents.

The communique also claims a British landing party was attacked and defeated at Steinkjer and two British officers and 80 men captured. — Reuter.

MAGINOT LINE CLASH

Paris, Yesterday.

A German detachment today launched a daylight attack on a French outpost in the Vosges sector, preceded by a heavy artillery barrage which pounded the French garrison and necessitated the despatch of reinforcements.

The Germans advanced and fierce fighting ensued; though the French suffered losses, the post was held.

East of the Moselle a French detachment met a German patrol in No-Man's Land. Both sides suffered casualties.

In the Saar sector there was heavy artillery fire by both sides. — Reuter.

"NOTHING TO REPORT"
Paris, Yesterday.
This morning's French war communique says there is nothing to report. — Reuter.

NAZIS ABANDON PRETENCE

London, Yesterday.

The German Government has finally abandoned the pretence that it is "protecting" Norway and has openly declared the existence of a state of war between the two countries.

The declaration is contained in a decree appointing a Nazi governor of the occupied territory in Norway, Herr Terhøven, who arrived in Oslo today to take up his duties.

The decree was actually issued on Wednesday but was not released to the public till this morning.

It says a state of war exists owing to "the attitude of the Norwegian Government and to the taking of military action under its orders."

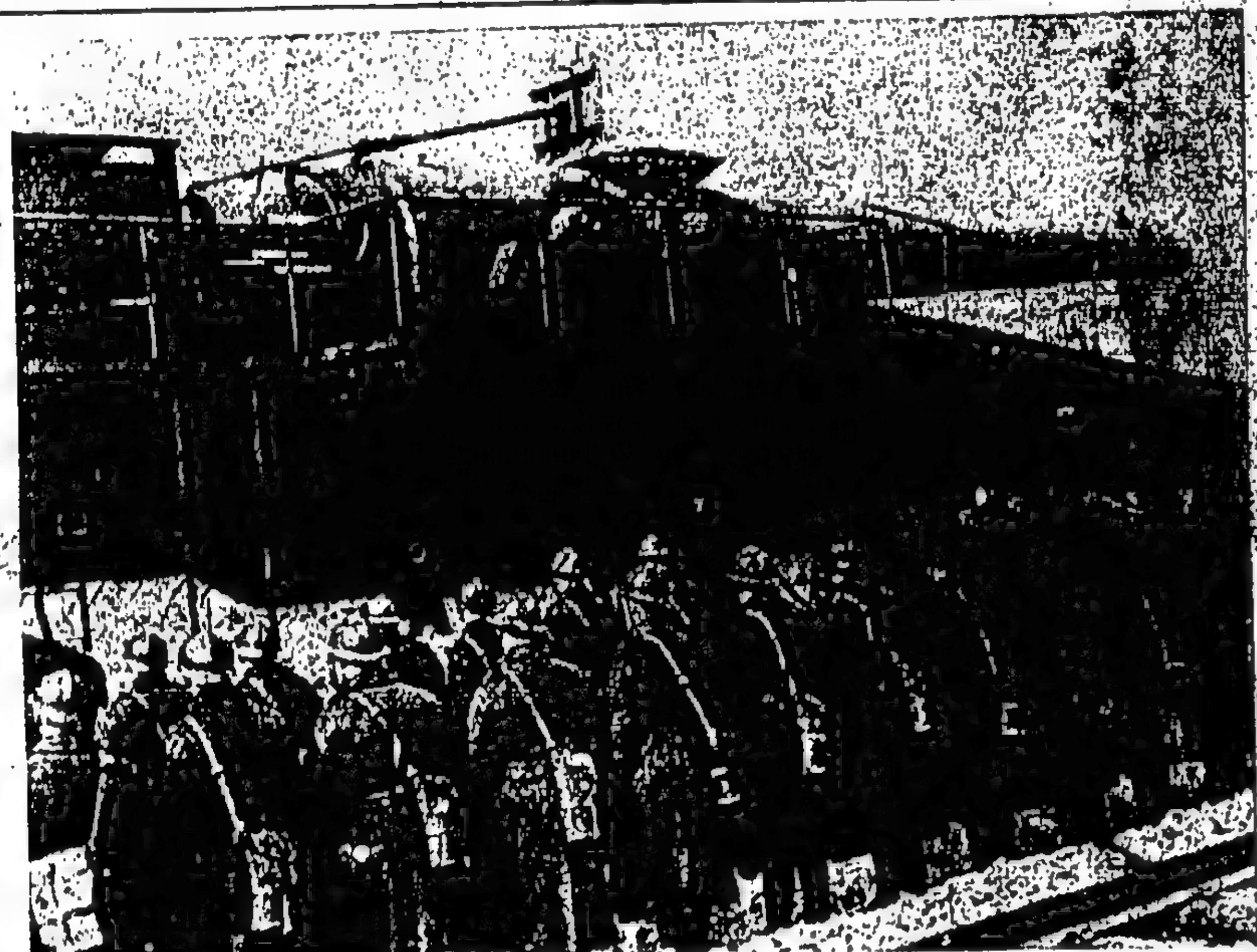
Herr Terhøven will be directly responsible to Hitler and is given the widest powers. — Reuter.

ITALY DENIES ACTION IN TURKEY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday.

Authoritative quarters categorically deny foreign press reports that Italy has approached Turkey protesting against the eventual formation of a Balkan peace bloc. — Havas.



Following the Nazi invasion of Denmark and Norway, Belgium is now paying attention to her defences. Photo shows a huge gun—mounted on rails—just one of the preparations by the Belgians. (Air Mail, Copyright.)

HITLER'S CONJURER NO. 1 PRODUCES ANOTHER "SENSATION" OUT OF BAG

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP, THE NAZI FOREIGN MINISTER, AGAIN PLAYED THE CONJUROR IN BERLIN THIS AFTERNOON WHEN, AT A SPECIALLY CALLED MEETING OF FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AND PRESS REPRESENTATIVES, HE PULLED ANOTHER WHITE BOOK OUT OF THE DIPLOMATIC HAT.

In a speech to the assembled foreign representatives, which was broadcast over all Nazi radio stations, Ribbentrop said the German Government was issuing "documents of great importance to the world public, and particularly for the governments of neutral countries."

Ribbentrop quoted various speeches by British and French statesmen which, he alleged, clearly showed that the Western Powers intended forcing neutrals into the war.

The Nazi Foreign Minister delivered a tirade on what he termed "the evil influence of the Allies in Finland's struggle for freedom."

Meanwhile, the German news agency was simultaneously issuing a statement that alleged details of Britain's intentions were to be published.

Curious Omission

The publication, the agency stated, would be based on materials found after an engagement between British and German troops near Lillehammer, in Norway, on Monday last. Text of this publication is not yet available, and no explanation is advanced on why British skirmishing troops should be carrying about

More "Documents"

Ribbentrop discussed the latest aspects of the international situation as seen through the eyes of the German Government.

He explained he had invited the heads of diplomatic missions and the foreign press to "inform them of documents which, in the view of the German Government, are of the greatest importance for the world public and particularly for the governments of neutral states."

Ribbentrop continued: "As the Allies knew from the very start an attack against the Western Wall could not succeed, they have been persistently trying to find a new theatre of war after the failure of their Polish allies." (Continued on Page 24)

Neutrals Tread Gingerly

London, Yesterday.

The neutrals in Europe — and particularly Denmark, Switzerland, Holland, Sweden and Rumania — are treading delicately.

In Denmark, the Danish Nazi leader proposed in the Lower House that a resolution of gratitude be passed to the Danish soldiers who were killed defending their country.

The Speaker said this was no time to raise such a controversial subject. In Switzerland, a ban has been placed on the flying of flags and banners of foreign countries.

No May Day

Holland has announced that there will be no May Day celebrations this year.

In Sweden, the Archbishop of Upsala has broadcast an appeal to Swedes for unity in defending the country.

In Bucharest, King Carol of Rumania has banned all foreign propaganda. — Reuter.

SIGNIFICANT COMMENT

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
SIGNIFICANT COMMENT APPEARS IN THE NAZI NEWSPAPER "FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG" ON THE OPERATIONS IN NORWAY, IN WHICH IT WARNS ITS READERS NOT TO OVERRATE GERMAN SUCCESSSES OR TO CONSIDER THEM AS THE FINAL VICTORY.

Up to now, the paper says, there have only been individual operations and victory will be assured "only if every single German soldier exerts himself to the utmost."

The success or failure of the Norwegian campaign may be decisive in the fate of Germany herself, the paper declares. — Reuter.

SENATOR WANTS TO LEND MONEY TO ALLIES

Washington, Yesterday.

Fundamental revision of the neutrality legislation, to allow the extension of banking credits to the governments of warring countries and the resumption of the sale of vessels under the American flag to all countries in Europe, was advocated by Senator Adams in an interview today.

"An American should have the right to invest his money anywhere he wants," declared Senator Adams.

"If some aeroplane manufacturer wants to sell on credit to Germany, Britain or France, he should be able to do so," — Reuter.

London, Yesterday.

A gunner in the R.A. has been awarded the M.B.E. for rescuing a companion who fell overboard between the ship and the pier. A heavy sea was running in a stormy night. — Reuter.

THEY DON'T CARE A RAP!

London, Yesterday.

The "Manchester Guardian" in a leading article on the British spirit, cites a series of articles from Europe in the "New York Times" by Anne O'Hare McCormick who, "during her three months spent behind both fronts has seen nothing more striking than the sudden revival of self-confidence in Britain."

It is "not due to any hope of an early peace or an easy victory," it is rather than we have been put on our mettle. The Germans, says this observer, "are sure they are going to win. They tell you so in a loud voice; but, almost invariably they watch your expression to see how you take this boast. They are painfully anxious to hear how the outside world estimates their chances."

The British simply assume that in the end they will prevail. "From Foreign Secretary down to hotel porter they are keen to hear the reports of the rare traveller who comes with direct news from Germany, but they don't care a rap for any outsider's opinion of British prospects." — British Wireless.

MR. GANDHI DUBIOUS

Bombay, Yesterday.

Writing in his newspaper "Harijan," Mr. Gandhi states he is anxious not to embarrass England in her hour of difficulty.

He adds: "All I want Congress to do through civil disobedience is to deny the British Government the moral influence which Congress co-operation would give."

Mr. Gandhi declared that working amidst suspicion and terrible misrepresentation on one hand and the prevailing lawlessness outside and inside Congress on the other, he had to think a thousand times before embarking on civil disobedience. — Reuter.

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A WOMAN LOOKS AT ENGLAND AT WAR

NOT everyone is faced in wartime with the tremendous issues of life and death. Those who are in the fighting services, and their relatives at home, face death and separation continually, and must necessarily bear the heaviest strain of war. But there are other men and women who have problems and troubles of their own, which are nevertheless the immediate outcome of the war, and must be solved.

What about the small trader, for instance? What effect is the war having upon him? Present conditions cause many difficulties between retailer and consumer, and when supplies are limited, co-operation between the different trades is not always easy. A seed of jealousy on the part of one man, a jealous desire to profiteer, and

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his fellow tradesman suffers, and so does his customer, and so in the long run does the national interest. It's the same with his customers. Some of us do a little quiet hoarding. It probably never occurs to either of us, trader or customer, that we are doing our country a disservice. We believe we are doing our "bit" like everyone else.

"But," we say to ourselves, "I've got to look after Number One." And that's where the trouble begins. Tom and Mary own a grocer's shop on the corner of a street down in East London. Tom was born two doors away from that shop, some forty-five years ago. He is a great personality down his way. And he will tell people, if they care to ask him, what sort of effect the war has on a grocer.

"Latin books," he will say with a smile. "Yes, there's a whole pile of 'em on the mantelpiece over there. Grocers have been driven nearly frantic with the darn things. Mary and I were up all one night with them. They wouldn't have been done in time but for the fact that the barber opposite came in and asked if there was anything he could do to help. He spent the whole day after that making out the counterfoils to go with the books. Excuse me one moment, please." And Tom bends down to a small customer who wants half a dozen oranges. "There you are, sonny, don't drop the bag now."

"Yes," he continues, "funny thing is, the barber wouldn't have helped me a year ago. Didn't used to speak to me then. Not he. His missus and Mary had a tiff over some nonsense or other, and you know what those things are, they hang on for years in a silly sort of way. And then Mary saw a bit in the paper, just after the Munich crisis it was, about Moral Re-Armament between folks—being unselfish and Christian and such-like—and she said to me, all white and serious, 'Why Tom, that's



Members of Lady Northcote's Working Party at Government House. (King's Studio).

meant for people like you and me." "I don't hold with all that gup," I said, but when she went up to bed I took a look at the paper myself. Funny thing, but somehow it got me thinking. I thought of the people I know; Harry, for instance, he's a grocer too, a pal of mine over in Stepney. He and his wife were living apart and he hadn't spoken to his son for over five years. He was mighty keen on peace, was Harry, thought war was a terrible thing. And yet there he was, living alone, having quarrelled with his wife and his son. Not much peace about that home. Mary was right. What that paper said was darn common sense."

There is another tinkle at the shop door, and another customer comes to be served.

"Anyway," says Tom, putting his pencil behind his ear, "the long and short of it was that Mary went across the street the next morning and made it up with the barber's wife. They went to the pictures in the evening. And he came in and had a chat with me. And since then we've never looked back. Simple isn't it?"

"I showed Harry that bit in the paper, you know, and bless me if he didn't get to puzzling it out, much the same way as I had. You'll never guess what he did, though. He made it up with his

old woman! It took a bit of doing, I can tell you, because she was none too easy. Poor Harry had a thick time of it, breaking the ice, as it were. He told me the trouble was it made him feel such a darn fool! But when war broke out in September Harry went off at seven o'clock one morning and cycled fifty miles to apologise to his son, who was in camp. Funny, isn't it, how a chap can change? His daughter-in-law is coming down to live with them, and bringing the baby."

Tom laughs and wipes a crumb off the counter. "Oh well, this war will make a lot of difference to a lot of people. But we'll never get the Nastys right unless we get ourselves right first. That's commonsense isn't it? And it's not an easy thing to do, I can tell you that. Why, right at the start of the war the maximum selling price for a certain brand of tinned food was raised 50 per cent, and I had to decide whether I would pass on that increase in price to my customers, though I was still getting it at the old wholesale price from the dealers, mark you."

"Come on Tom," says one little voice inside me, "there's a chance to make a bit extra." "Hold on Tom," says another voice, "you know you don't have to charge the customer more until you have to pay yourself." Well, the second voice won, and I haven't regretted it."

A voice calls from the back of the shop. It's Mary dishing up the dinner. "All right," says Tom. "I'm coming. If there's one thing I'm a pig over it's sals and onions, always have been. But as I was saying, the funny thing about this love-your-neighbours business is—believe me or not—that the darn thing WORKS!"

Paris Suggests These Fashions

SCARVES in printed crepe (to match dresses) trim straw hats, fine tulle jersey is twisted into evening turbans. Waistcoats in striped jerseys, satins and surahs go over plain dresses. For evening, the striped effect is worked in gold braid on black. Reversible jackets—they turn inside out with a flick of the hand—are plain and dark outside, gay and patterned inside. Or the lining is striped in, say, beige and black. For evening, the stripes are worked in sequins.

There's a revival of peasant themes, due to the Finnish and Scandinavian influence. Embroidered heart motifs, pockets and purses are discreetly used. Nordic colours are appearing in embroidered Finnish belts—they are worn with everything from beach to evening costumes. Several couturiers have adopted lace-trimmed flanneaux' bonnets and three-cornered trilled shawls. They are made in tweed or wool for tailcoats, or in silk for evening, or shown with oiled-silk beach frocks. Heavy gold penants' chains are used in a dozen ways.

The revival of the apron is the most important peasant theme to influence the silhouette. In an abbreviated form it can be mistaken for a hip yoke. The most sophisticated version is Molyneux's. On navy marocain afternoon dresses he encrusts a pointed apron of navy faille; it lies in a little bow at the back just above a narrow pleated fan which is set into the skirt. Some of Balenciaga's tiny, round aprons have suspended pockets.

Floor-length, and even longer, evening gowns with ample skirts show off the wonderful fabrics that fashion them (flowered tulle, embroidered or striped satins, nets, laces and jerseys). The bodices are sometimes simple and short-sleeved, sometimes draped with flutter tops. Fine linens, flowered cotton voiles and pliques are ruffled for summer evenings. Evening gowns make girls look like flowers; their ruffles frame the head and trim the shoulders or the multiple-layered skirts.

In Paris Schiaparelli, Molyneux and Balenciaga are launching narrow lines that are forerunners of autumn styles. Long shows slim gowns under flaring coats. Narrow lines are featured in the restaurant ensembles shown in all houses. They are simple in trimming. Tiny hats smothered in black tulle petticoat veils top them off.



Something new in beach wear worn by Ann Rutherford, is this knitted playuit. The suit itself is pink and features a full skirt, gored with insets of the blue. A high waist-line effect is achieved by a shirred corselet. The bolero is blue with tiny puffed sleeves and is bound in the pink.

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The Gambler's Throw

WITH the occupation of Denmark and the invasion of Norway, we realised that we were fighting for survival, with our backs to the Atlantic.

When the first week closed, it was possible to agree, with Mr. Churchill and M. Reynaud, that Hitler had perpetrated his first major strategic error.

The imagination runs ahead of the stumbling news, and we see Norway liberated and making with her superb natural harbours a matchless contribution to our mastery of the sea.

This audacious stroke of the mad genius, who has never yet blundered, may be a turning point in our fortunes. Hitler's power rests as much on bluff and prestige as on his military machine: would it survive a minor error?

And so, with a cheer for the gallantry of our sailors and the spirit of the Norwegians, we explore the future in a mood of anxious hope. It is not easy to review the statesmanship of this unfinished chapter

of history, but I am going to make the attempt.

It all began with the decision to stop the Germans using the sheltered line of Norwegian territorial waters for the transport of the iron ore that they turn into arms for our destruction. Or did it begin with this decision?

The Government can say truthfully that Hitler's army of invasion left port several hours before our ships had laid the minefield at the mouth of Narvik fjord, but it was no secret that we had decided to act, and most of us in this island had known or guessed for several days what the Government intended to do.

The neutral Press was equally well informed, and it is safe to assume that Hitler knew all about it. We gave him his excuse for action, and he seized it with his usual promptitude and efficiency.

Wise or unwisely, the Allies had decided to break a well-established rule of international law. We were

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suffering rather more than human nature could patiently endure for ever. This iron ore was used to make the mines and torpedoes that have sent to their death hundreds of Norwegian sailors, as well as our own.

Against a healthy instinct of human nature we have to set our claim to be in this war the champions of order and law. Law is the rule that men obey even when it makes for their hurt. In fact, our breach of law has told against us throughout the world of neutrals.

It is fair to hold that our illegal action involved no inhumanity, whereas Hitler seeks victory in cruelty and terror. To him we owe no obligation to keep any law, save the law of humanity which our own self-respect imposes.

This was a law that protected the Norwegians, the friendliest and most civilised of all our European neighbours. If they allowed their neutrality to be infringed, they stood exposed to German retaliation.

That, then, was the problem of morals and statesmanship which confronted the Allied Governments. They knew, or they must have guessed, what Hitler would do.

Through four months that army of invasion had been assembling, as Mr.

the political crisis in France.

And so it has happened that the war has been "spread." Hitler did it, but we gave him his occasion, and his action responds to the wishes and interests of our two Governments.

In these articles I have argued, as strong as I knew how, against those who would "spread the war" at this stage. "Spreading" it seems to me, is a strategy for Powers that possess a superiority in man-power which they cannot usefully employ on the main front.

That is not our case. We have, moreover, locked up in Syria and Egypt armies of which we can make no offensive use. It remains to be seen whether, in this special case of Scandinavia, our sea power will justify the dispersal of our numerically inferior forces.

Now that it has happened, political considerations forbid us to hesitate. We have gambled with Norway's liberty, and we must risk everything to save her. On our success the future conduct of every neutral and non-belligerent in Europe may depend.

Rumania watches and calculates: Italy stands on the brink of a decision that may alter everything in the Mediterranean. Above all, the Swedes must be asking the question whether passive neutrality can save them from the fate that has befallen their neighbours. If we could win them over, the war in Scandinavia would be for Germany the beginning of the end. Russia, meanwhile, has made overtures to us.

On this decisive phase of the war we enter under political leadership that might ruin the best of causes. But on one gain we may congratulate ourselves. By his invasion of Denmark and Norway, Hitler has proved that he meditates nothing less than the conquest of Europe and the extinction of its liberties.

Against this enemy every instinct of self-preservation, and our manhood to be worthy of its heritage. (World Copyright Reserved).

By H.N. BRAILSFORD

Churchill has told us, in Germany's northern ports. When we laid our mines, it was probable, if not certain, that it would be hurled, with its squadrons of bombing planes, at the defenceless towns of this friendly land.

Had we the right to bring disaster on our neighbours, knowing very well that the Germans would spare neither their lives nor their liberties? We risked for them the fate of Poland.

A forgotten detail faces us when we attempt to answer this question. Did Norway offer to stop all export of iron-ore from Narvik, to any belligerent?

We have no official confirmation of this statement, but it is widely believed. If it is accurate, there was here an acceptable solution, for we have other sources of iron on which to draw.

The ultimate judgment on our behaviour towards Norway turns on our ability to protect her. We had no right to bring this disaster on her unless we saw our way to shelter her by our sea-power from the peril to which we had exposed her. By that test history will judge us, and our own conscience cannot evade it.

The answer is still in suspense. It is clear that the Germans surprised our Navy by the rapidity and ingenuity of their tactics, more especially at Narvik. It was unable to prevent the occupation of Oslo and all the western ports.

Nelson, in the days when there was neither wireless telegraphy nor aerial reconnaissance, failed to prevent Napoleon's landing in Egypt. He re-declared that lapse at the Battle of the Nile.

Throughout the past week, our sailors and airmen have struggled, with superb daring and professional skill, to make good any lack of foresight there may have been. Criticism is silenced, while they risk their lives and their ships in the tempests that lash the Skagerrak. It may be that within a week or two they will have enabled the gallant Norwegians to liberate their country.

There is more, however, in this issue than the problem of Narvik and iron, important though these were. A month earlier Allied statesmen were prepared to violate Scandinavian neutrality in order to rescue Finland.

That was made clear by M. Daladier's speech to the French Chamber of Deputies. London and Paris begged and bargained for the consent of Norway and Sweden, but it is obvious that they were prepared, in the last resort, to dispense with it.

Again, in the recent Note sent to these two Powers, the Allies stated that they would no longer be able to respect Scandinavian neutrality if Norway or Sweden allowed their independence to be infringed by Germany or Russia. That was a justifiable warning, but it played its part in hastening the German invasion.

Other interested considerations were at work. Opinion in France cannot be fanned by Party whips. It was restive after the failure to rescue Finland, and for that reason it put M. Reynaud in M. Daladier's place. He had to justify himself by prompt action.

To say that M. Reynaud had to do something in Scandinavia to save himself from a Parliamentary defeat would be to understate the gravity of



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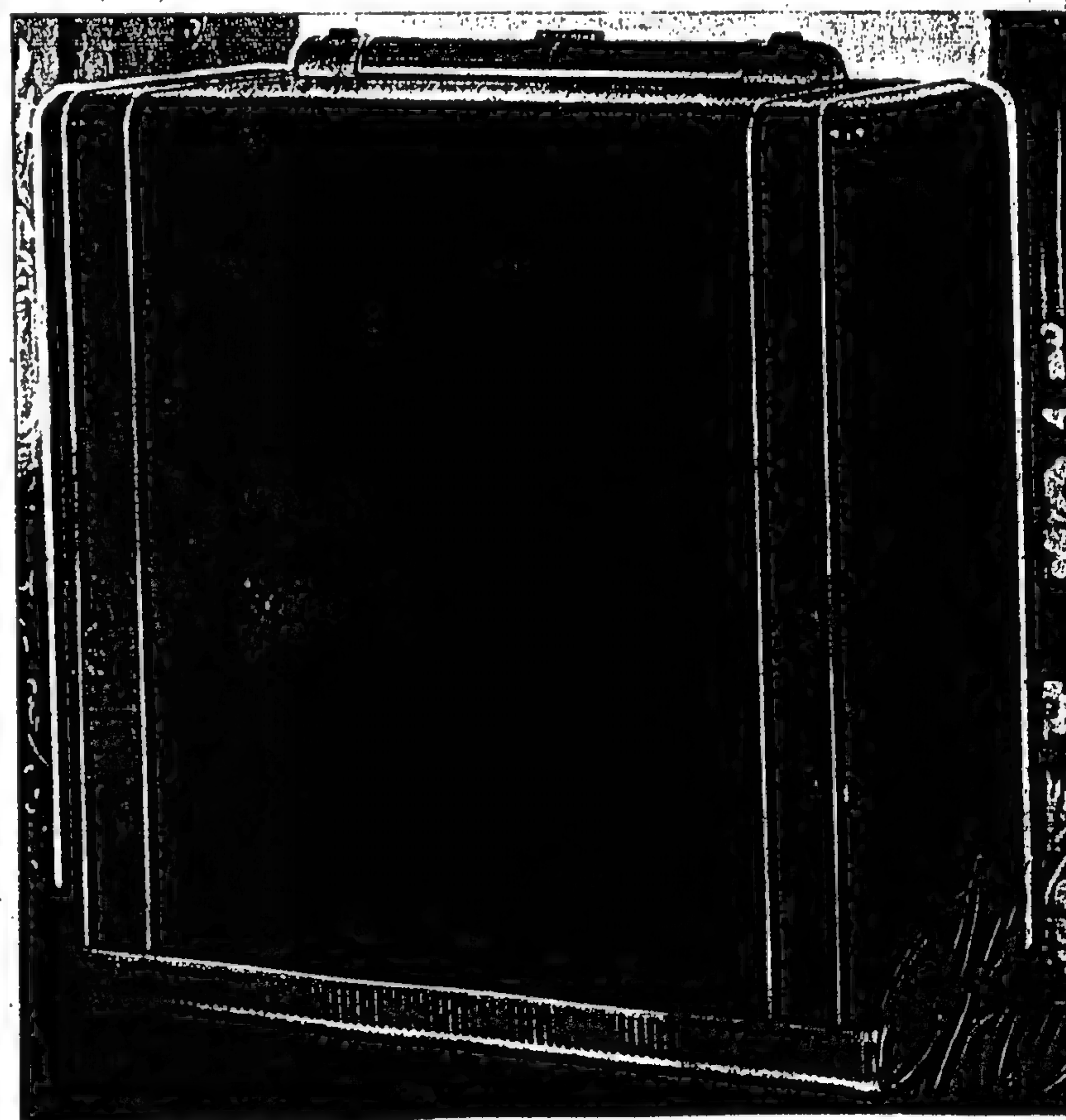


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Close Watch On Sweden: Grim Plight

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

PARIS, YESTERDAY.
SWEDEN'S ATTITUDE IS BEING CLOSELY WATCHED AND IT IS NOW GENERALLY FELT HERE THAT THE PRESENCE OF MANY GERMAN TRANSPORTS OFF THE SWEDISH COAST DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN AN EARLY ATTACK AGAINST SWEDEN.

It is thought the transports will be used in an endeavour to take reinforcements to Norway. Germany is obviously using all means to obtain from Sweden the maximum benefit compatible with international law interpreted in the most liberal way.

AMERICAN VOLUNTEER KILLED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday.

The first American volunteer to go to his death in Scandinavia is Harry Wilson, aged 22, who came through the Spanish Civil War unscathed.

His father has been notified that his son was killed in action "somewhere in Norway."

Young Wilson was one of the first Americans to join the Canadian Army, and was in the famous Princess Patricia's Regiment.

—Havas.

EMPIRE YOUTH SUNDAY

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

MR. VINCENT MASSEY, CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER, WILL ADDRESS A WESTMINSTER ABBEY SERVICE ON EMPIRE YOUTH SUNDAY, MAY 5, TO BE BROADCAST TO THE EMPIRE.

A letter commending the observance of Youth Sunday, signed by prominent religious leaders in Britain says: "The nation is now united with the Dominions, India and the Colonies in a great struggle for the principles of freedom and justice among men."

It is the hope and prayer of all that its issue may be the better order of national and international life. But the future is unknown.

Those who are young to-day stand at the threshold of this unknown future. They will need inward security, strength of spirit and of purpose. —British Wireless.

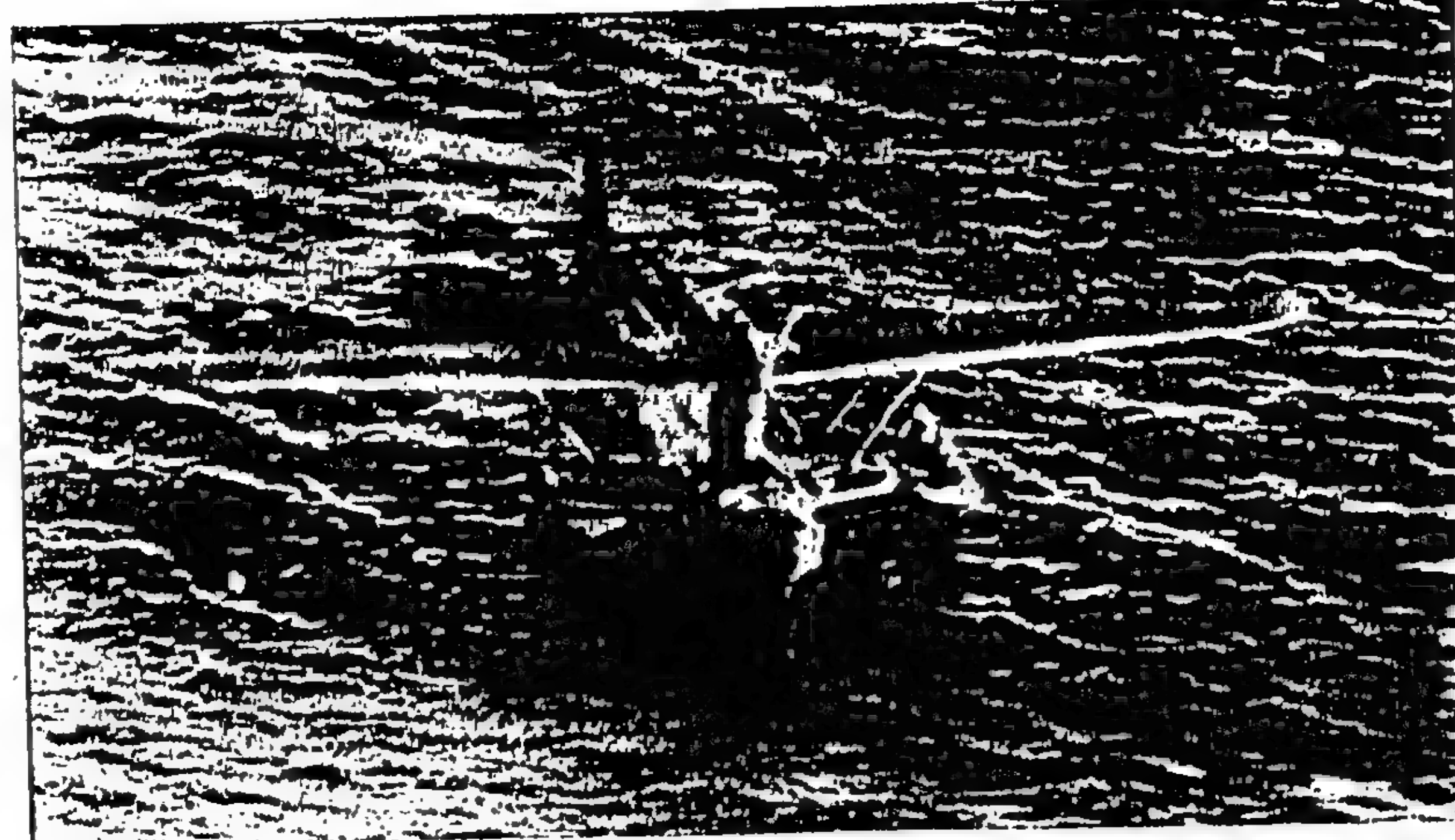
NEW AIR LINE

LONDON, Yesterday.

The final link in the London-New Zealand air passenger and mail service will be completed next week with the inauguration of an Australia-New Zealand service. —Reuter.

ALLIED SETBACK IN NORWAY

Developments Cause Little Concern In British Isles



A Dornier flying boat was shot down in the North Sea in 35 seconds on April 12 by a Hudson reconnaissance aircraft of the Coastal Command. Photo shows the crew, taking to their rubber boat. A striking picture from the air. (Air Mail. Copyright).

THE LAPPA CLASH: OFFICIAL

Macao, Yesterday.

An official statement has now been issued in connection with the clash between the Portuguese police and Chinese puppet troops on Lappa Island last Wednesday night.

The statement says that the Portuguese Government stationed a police force on Lappa Island to maintain peace, order and security among the population.

On Wednesday night, a Chinese civil and military force, carrying three Japanese flags, attacked the police force.

The Police withdrew from their positions fighting a defensive action. There were casualties on both sides.

The attackers refused to negotiate. Since the island is in litigation and the object of stationing a police force on the island to maintain peace and order has been misunderstood and disregarded, the Portuguese Government ordered the police to withdraw from the island.

It is understood that representations have been made to the Japanese authorities. —Our Own Correspondent.

YUNNAN RAILWAY TOWN BOMBED

Kunming, Yesterday.

Peichai, midway between Mengzi and Laokai on the Yunnan-French Indo-China Railway, was bombed by nine Japanese planes yesterday.

Earlier 16 enemy aircraft conducted reconnaissance over Makwan, northeast of Laokai, and other points in south Yunnan.

The air raid alarm was sounded at Kunming at 8 a.m. and was called off at 10.15 a.m. No Japanese machines appeared. —Central News.

ALLIES REACH COMPROMISE IN U.S.

Washington, Yesterday.

A STATEMENT ISSUED THROUGH the State Department on the conversations between United States officials and the Allied mission led by Mr. Ashton-Gwatkin and Prof. Rist, says the Allies have promised to do everything practicable to ease the effect of the Allied blockade and other wartime economic policies on American trade.

The statement says the United States Government reserves all rights under international law and is not to be understood as accepting any of the principles of interference with bona fide neutral trade.

The Allied Governments, it is declared, are prepared to re-examine applications by American importers which had been turned down.

It is also stated that Allied consulates in the United States will be prepared to receive applications for exemption from the blockade provisions for "categories of goods which afford matter for special consideration and are unobtainable elsewhere than in Germany."

STRANGE STORY BY A WITNESS

London, Yesterday.

An eye-witness of recent operations in Norway has just arrived in London.

Discussing German methods, he says that on arriving in a new area the enemy makes a practice of burning certain farms — probably belonging to non-Quisling farmers.

Much has been heard of the arrivals of German troops in Norway by parachute, but reports from this source suggest that few of them survive.

A considerable proportion, unaided, become stuck in the deep snow and perish.

Some on landing have suffered broken limbs.

Examination of bodies suggest that, in other cases, the men have left the airplanes — possibly pushed out of it — without parachute, while some appear to have been shot before the descent! —British Wireless.

ESSENCE OF POWER IN NORWAY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday.

"Air power is the essence of the Allies' problem in Norway," writes the "New York Times."

"The British will be compelled to anchor aircraft-carriers off the coast if they do not find air bases, without which they cannot hope to succeed despite their mastery of the sea and the courage of the Allied troops."

The journal adds that the evacuation of Lillhammer is a "loss which is not decisive in this phase of the struggle in Norway." —Havas.

"In Very Early Phases Of Campaign"

London, Yesterday.

THE NEWS THAT LIMITED withdrawals have been necessary in southern Norway does not cause much concern in the British press this morning.

It is pointed out that in a major war, temporary setbacks give no clue to the final outcome of the struggle, and in Norway the struggle is in a very early phase.

It is conceded that Germany, through "treacherous" invasion, gained some strategic advantages and therefore one must be prepared for a difficult campaign.

But the determination of the Allies to press the campaign to a successful conclusion is unanimously reaffirmed.

The "Daily Telegraph" says treachery won for Germany the first trick of the fight for Norway, possession of the best ports and air fields.

The Allies had to improvise means of landing anti-aircraft guns, artillery and munitions, and were without one base for aeroplanes.

Much has been done to counteract that last defect by continuous bombing of German aerodromes. The fight for Norway has only begun and we shall see it through.

Fighter Planes

The help of fighter planes is one of our most urgent needs in Norway. The first batch of fighters has already arrived in Norway. This was a daring decision and they have already suffered losses but have taken toll of the enemy.

The battle for Norway will be prolonged and fiercely contested. If the Germans reach Trondheim from the south they will establish control of the south of Norway for a time, but conquest of the north would be as remote as ever.

Early Phase

"The Times" says we are evidently in the very early phase of the campaign. The Germans enjoy the advantage of superior preparation. It does not by itself win the war but imposes on a more scrupulous opponent a handicap that may take a long time to make up.

The Nazis prepared their criminal enterprise with characteristic German thoroughness.

"The Times" points out that a front has not been formed in Norway and the opposing forces may remain for days in the worst weather on the shores of the same fjord without certain knowledge of one another's whereabouts, and therefore "lack of precise information is to be expected."

"The Times" declares there is one strategic certainty which overrides all other considerations.

Where both sides operate in a foreign country, with blue water between armies and home, sea power in the long run controls the issue.

Not A Sideshow

The "News Chronicle" says we are only at the beginning of a great campaign. The country is ready and anxious to press this crucial campaign to a successful issue.

It is not a sideshow and Norway will become a battleground of strategic, diplomatic and moral importance.

The "Daily Mail" declares that facts favour the Germans only at present. We will restore the balance —wittily and vigorously.

We must strive for mastery in the air, which will be the keynote in the campaign. It is vital and necessary to obtain air bases. We have the men and machines but we must have aerodromes.

The "Daily Express" says the Allied reverse must be seen in its proper perspective. Only a small force was affected and it has no great importance as a whole.

There may be setbacks but we are prepared.

Critical Comment

The "Daily Herald" strikes the only critical note.

It says the War Office may plead that time was short and they had to send whatever force was available.

The paper, however, recalls Mr. Chamberlain's statement on March 20 when he said an expeditionary force was ready to leave for Finland, and when a, the same time he warned Sweden and Norway that the war was coming closer to their doors.

The paper asks: Was the Finnish expeditionary force dispersed? If so, surely this was unwise.

Commenting on the operations in Norway, the "Daily Herald" says in a great war temporary reverses give no clue to the outcome of the struggle. The public is prepared to take bad news with good. —Reuter.

PARACHUTE TROOPS MYSTERY

London, Yesterday.

Authentic reports received in London to-day state that many German parachute troops have been found dead, buried in the snow in Norway.

Some of them had broken limbs, and some appear to have been pushed out of planes without parachutes on! —Reuter.

JAPANESE SENT TO PRISON

A Japanese assistant of the Tanaka Studio, No. 12, Peking Road, Fukujiro Tokuda, 23, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. E. Hinmworth at Kowloon yesterday for stealing \$650.

He was charged with stealing \$2,027 but the Magistrate, after hearing evidence, convicted accused of a sum of \$650, which he admitted.

Yochi Mitunaga, manager of Tanaka Studio, was complainant.

Det-Sgt. Matches, prosecuting, said that the manager left the shop at 10 p.m. on April 14 and, on returning at 12.15 a.m. on April 15, discovered the safe in the shop had been broken into and \$1,810 stolen.

Previously, a sum of \$650 had been stolen.

Accused, due to sail for Canton at 2 p.m. on April 15, confessed that he had stolen \$650 from the safe previously, but denied stealing the second amount.

Several days after accused left for Canton he was found a duplicate key to the safe in accused's trousers.

Accused returned to the shop on Friday from Canton, and was arrested.

INSPECTION OF THE FIRE BRIGADE

The Inspection of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade and of the Auxiliary Fire Service, postponed from April 11th, will take place on Wednesday next at 5.15 p.m. in the compound of No. 2 Police Station, Lockhart Road.

The Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G., will inspect the Fire Services.

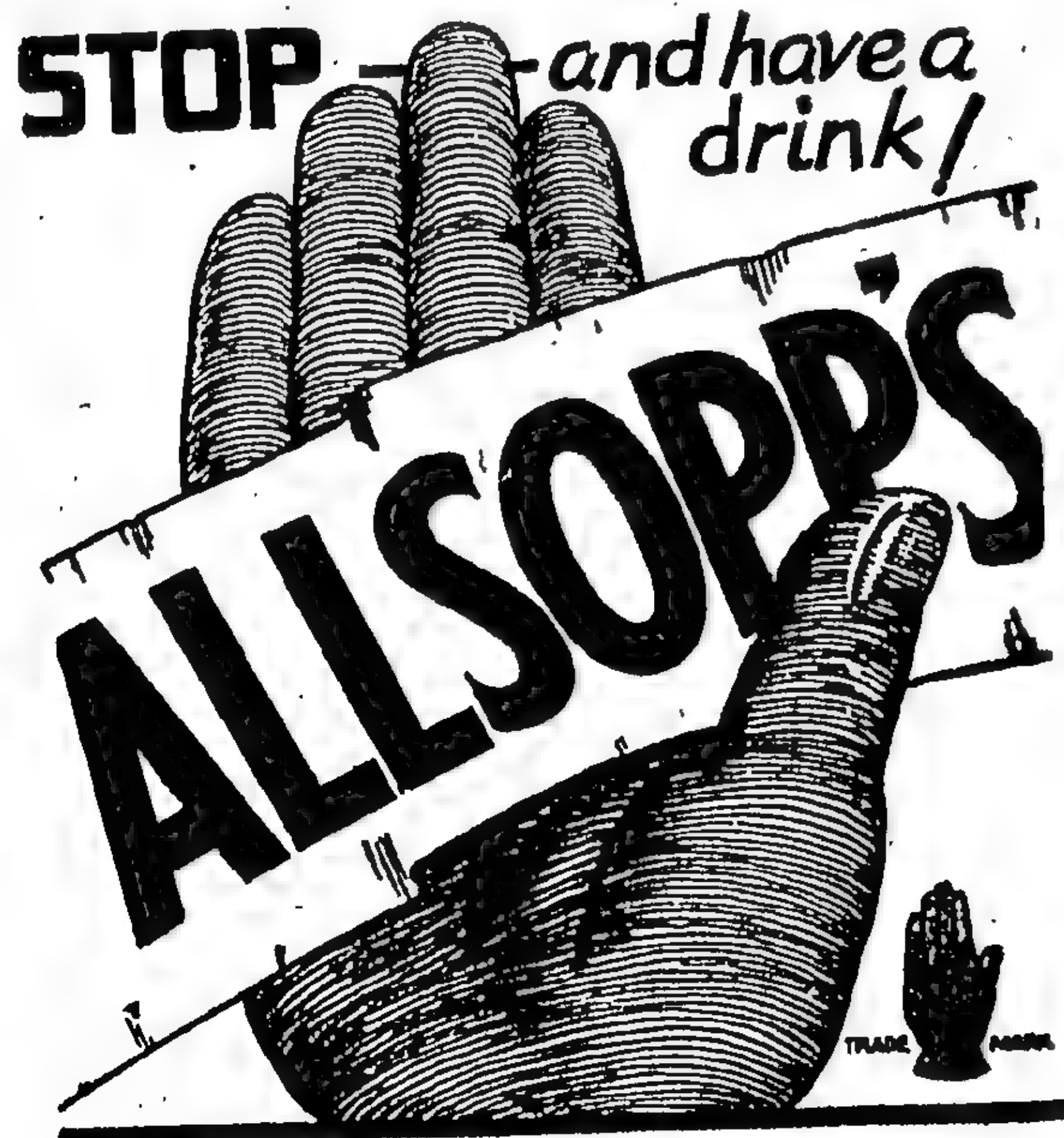
Invitation cards should be presented at the gate. If invitations have been mislaid, new cards will be issued on application to the Chief Officer, Central Fire Station, Hong Kong.

YUGO-SLAVIAN POLICY

Belgrade, Yesterday.

The Foreign Minister, M. Cincar-Markovitch, in an interview published in the newspaper "Politika" declares Yugo-Slavia will pursue resolutely and consistently a policy of neutrality and independence.

He says the Government is also trying in the domain of economic relations to maintain an attitude of neutrality. —Reuter.



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The Egyptian army of to-day is well-trained, highly efficient and equipped with modern weapons, and the latest anti-aircraft defences. The picture shows the latest type 3.7 anti-aircraft gun in action. The crew wear a combination of old and new with their "tarbooshes" and gas-masks. (Copyright, Fox).

FRENCH FOREIGN LEGION MEN IN NORWAY

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"] Stockholm, Yesterday. According to frontier reports, men of the French Foreign Legion are supporting the British/Norwegian drive on Trondheim.—Havas.

Shanghai, Yesterday. THE COLD-BLOODED KILLING of an Annamite constable of the French Concession police and a Chinese civilian and the wounding of six Chinese were the results achieved by a party of armed gangsters who raided the printing plant of the "Evening Post and Mercury" in the early hours to-day.

The outrage, which had a political motive, was carried out by four bandits who had been calling at the plant as newspaper boys for the past fortnight to collect copies of the "Ta Mei Po," the morning Chinese edition of the "Post and Mercury."

It was this disguise which enabled them to enter the plant this morning without being challenged.

While two of the ostensible newspaper boys engaged the Annamite constable in the pill-box at the entrance to the plant in friendly talk, the other two men walked into the pressroom and threw several bombs.

Three members of the printing staff were injured by the explosion.

As the bomb-throwers were making their escape, the two gangsters at the entrance drew pistols and shot the Annamite in cold blood, killing him with two shots through the brain.

All four men entered the car and drove off at furious speed.

TRAFFIC MAN JUMPS A Russian constable opened fire with a sub-machine-gun, apparently without hitting the gangsters' car but slightly wounding three pedestrians.

The pace of the car caused a Chinese traffic constable to signal it to stop. The bandits pointed pistols at him and he skipped to one side, drawing his gun, but the car was quickly out of range.

In the getaway the car knocked down and killed a pedestrian.

The bombs caused little damage and the papers are being published as usual.—Router.

NORWEGIAN SHIP DECREE

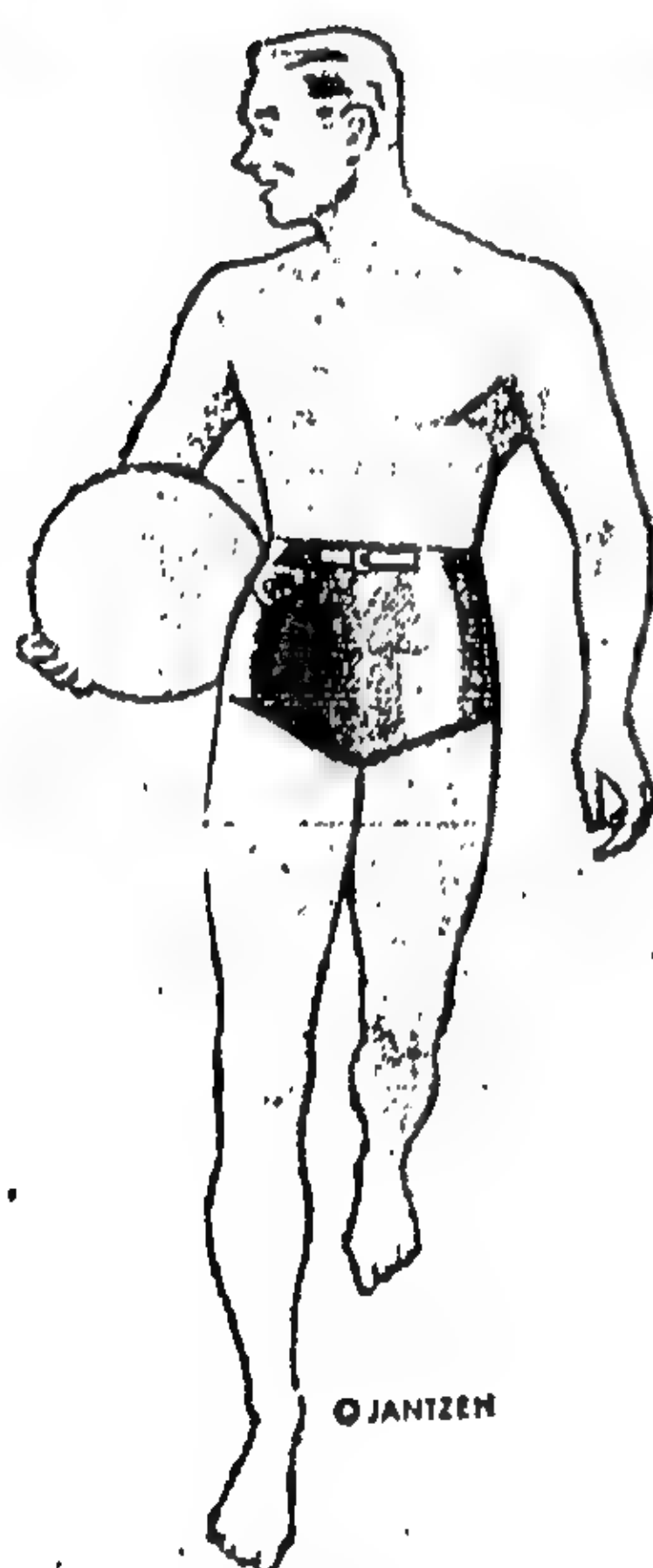
[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

London, Yesterday. A Norwegian Royal Decree places all Norwegian ships over 500 tons at the disposal of the Royal Norwegian Government, who have established a merchant marine and trade mission in London.—Havas.



Simultaneously with the news that the Second Australian Division is nearly ready to take up its stations in the Middle East, comes this picture from Australia by air. Holding their three despite the pressure of the huge crowd, these magnificent men of only a few months training carry themselves like veterans as they march through Melbourne before embarking. (Copyright, Fox).

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EXPERT'S VERDICT ON DEFENCE OF D.E.I.

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Amsterdam, Yesterday. Lt.-Comm. Nuboer, director of the Naval Training College, in a lecture here yesterday on the naval defence of the Dutch East Indies and schemes for the construction there of large warships, declared Holland was ready, although the army in the East Indies was still too weak, for the task awaiting her.

He was opposed to the view that a strong air force was sufficient to prevent enemy landings.

The landing of large numbers of British and French troops in Norway, despite the German air force, was proof of this assertion, he claimed.

If the enemy has command of the sea, he continued, he can occupy the Indies without difficulty in spite of any number of planes the defence may possess.

Defence of the Indies was impossible if mastery of the Indian Ocean belonged to the enemy.

ARMoured CRUISERS

The speaker concluded by urging the necessity of building armoured cruisers.

"When we possess three such battle-cruisers, an attack against the Indies will be impossible as long as the present equilibrium of the forces in the Pacific is maintained."—Havas.

OBERLIN ALUMNI SOCIAL MEETING

A tea reception for the alumni and former students of Oberlin College in Hong Kong, will be held in St. Francis Hotel to-morrow afternoon at 4.30 p.m. The purpose of the gathering is entirely social.

LONDON PAPER CONTROL

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

London, Yesterday. A decree allowing the Government to regulate strictly the distribution of paper and products for the manufacture of paper was unanimously approved by the House of Commons yesterday. The Government will be able to reduce the large stocks accumulated by some paper merchants.—Havas.

QUEEN AT AMERICAN GIFT DEPOT

London, Yesterday.

The Queen yesterday visited the London depot for American gifts to Britain for civilian relief.

Amongst valuable equipment which American generosity has enabled to be purchased are four complete X-Ray installations which cost about £10,000 each.

Her Majesty evinced special interest in a quantity of lumberjack shirts and fleece-lined leather coats.

A cable from the American Women's Voluntary Services was shown which requested these be sent to the B.E.F. in Norway.

The Queen also saw packing cases sent by the "Bundles to Britain Society" which specialises in comforts for the British Navy and Mercantile Marine.

A pamphlet which the Society circulates reads: "S. O. S. There are twenty thousand British seamen fighting for civilization. What are you going to do to help them?"

Total funds received to the end of March from the American public towards relief in the war-stricken areas of Europe amount to nearly six million dollars, of which about four million have already been spent in various countries.—British Wireless.

LONDON'S A.R.P. COST

London, Yesterday. Air raid precautions will cost local authorities in the Metropolitan area more in the coming year. Just over £7,500,000 has been spent by them in the year ended March while the estimate for the coming year is £8,000,000.

Fire services alone cost the London County Council £1,147,120 which sum is expected to exceed a million and three-quarters in the current year.—British Wireless.

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Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 2nd May, 1940.
By Order,
G. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 28th April, 1940.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, Limited, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Kidderie and Sons, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st May, 1940, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1939, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd April to the 1st May, 1940, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
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PERSONAL

WANTED European members to join in renting a matched, Repulse Bay. Apply Box No. 871 c/o "The Sunday Herald".

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USED CARS

Although we have disposed of a considerable number of cars during the past week, we have been fortunate in securing 11 additional cars (mostly privately owned) which are available for inspection. For those prospective buyers who called last week and missed their choice, we suggest that they call again.

The following list comprises unold cars from last week's show, together with cars referred to above.

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1938 De Soto '9' De Luxe Touring Sedan	2,850
1937 Nash '8' De Luxe Touring Sedan	2,275
1936 Chevrolet Standard Six Sedan	1,950
1935 Terraplane Sedan	1,250
1933 Humber Snipe Sports '80'	1,750
1932 Willys Knight Sedan	650
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1931 Ford 'A' Coupe with Rumble Seat	600
1930 Ford Prefect De Luxe Saloon	2,050
1930 Austin '10' De Luxe Saloon	2,950
1929 Morris '8' Sports Tourer	2,350
1928 Willys '14' Sun Saloon	2,650
1927 Austin '12-4' Roadster with Rumble Seat	1,950
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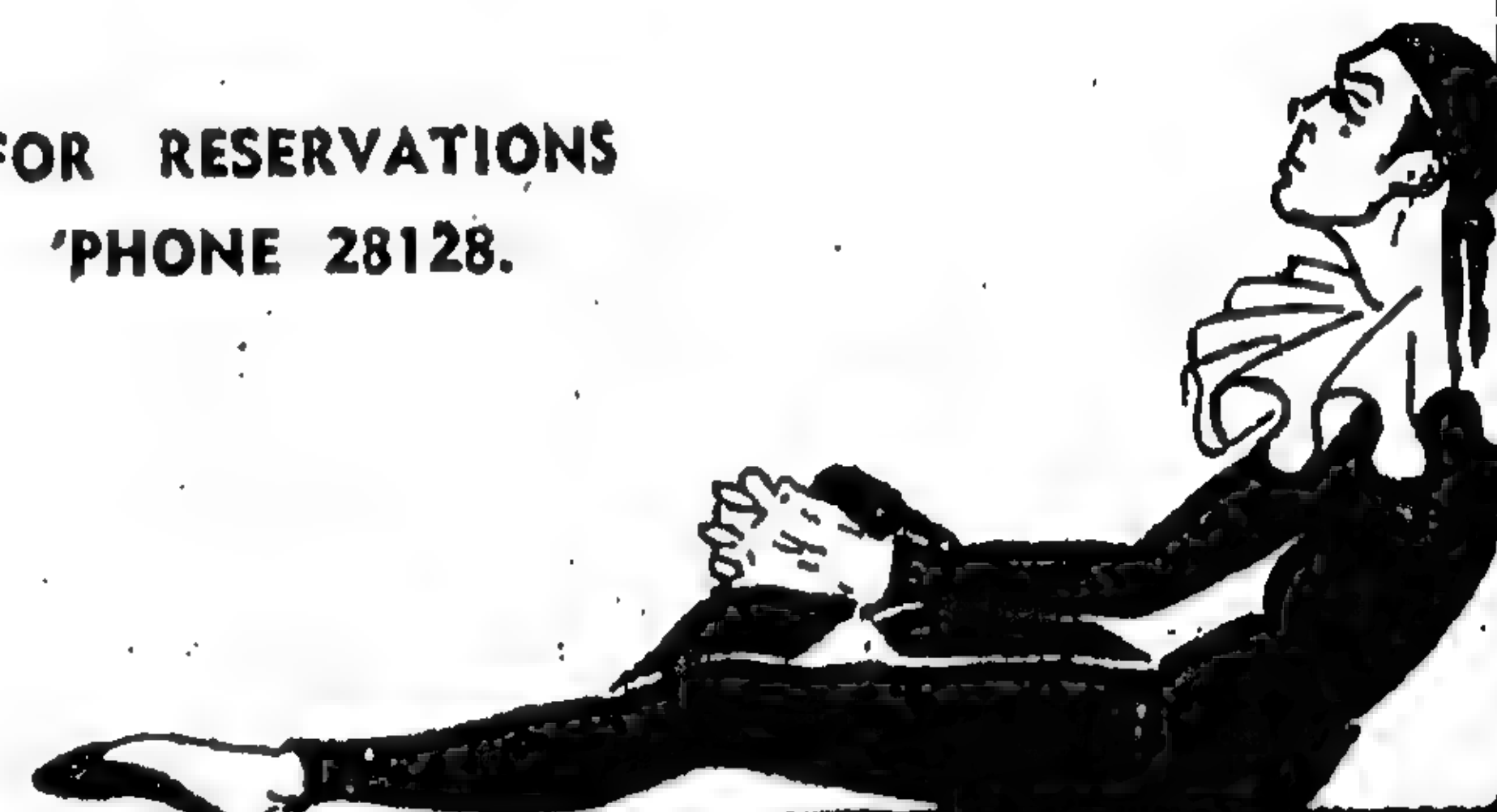
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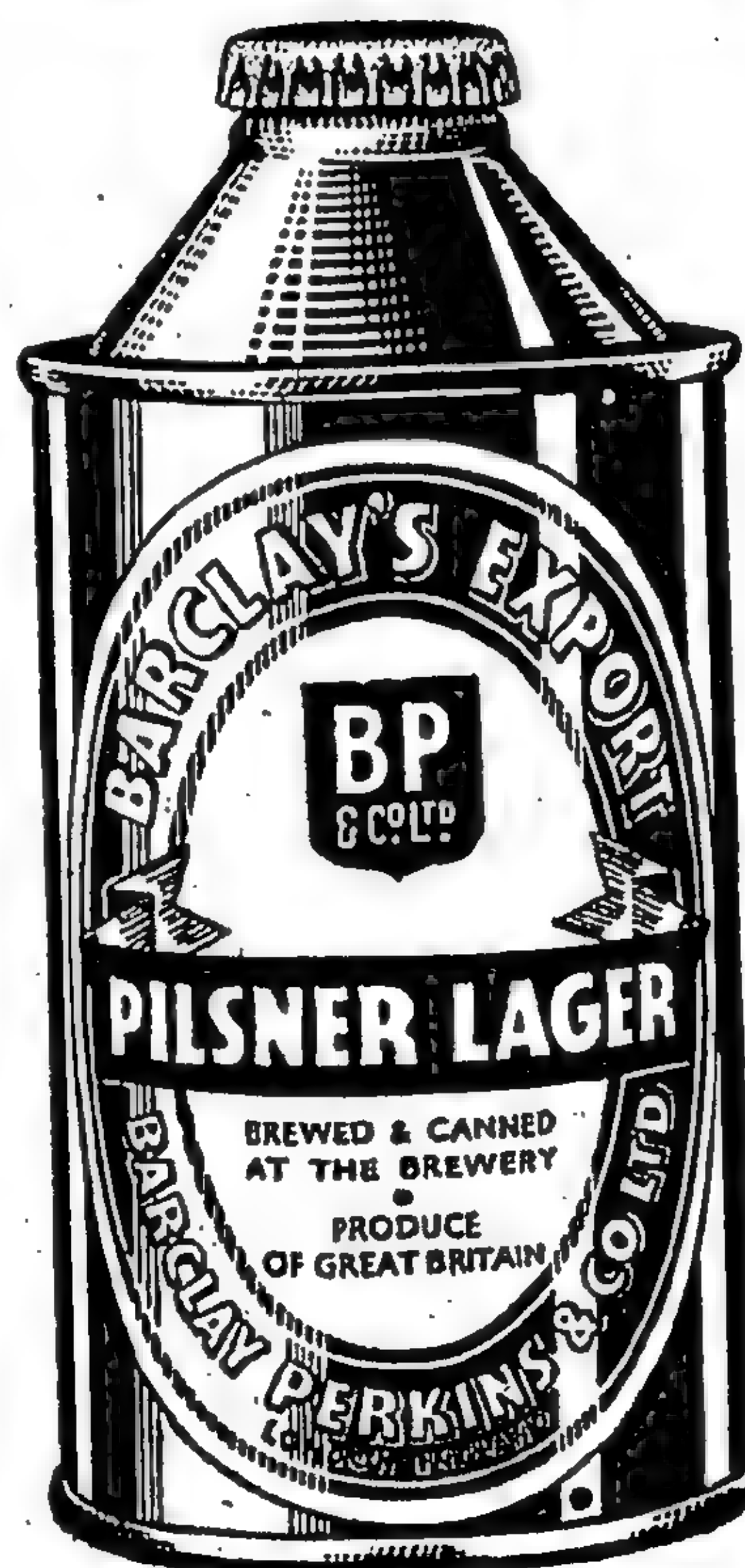
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LANDLORDS ATTACK NEW EVICTIONS ORDINANCE

Representations Made To Government On Proposals



Photo taken at St. Paul's Girls' School on Tuesday at the 25th birthday anniversary celebrations. Lady Northcote, Major-General Graetz, Sir Shouson Chow, Sir Robert Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. N. L. and Mrs. Smith and the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North are among those on the platform. (King's Studio).

WAR ON CHOLERA TO BEGIN IN COLONY THIS WEEK

THE ANNUAL ANTI-cholera campaign is to begin on Wednesday.

There will be free inoculations; a series of radio broadcasts; advertisements on the screen in the cinemas; thousands of illustrated posters; lectures in schools; and anti-cholera propaganda in the press.

GIRL GUIDES TEA PARTY

The Girl Guides Association of Hong Kong were the guests of Lady Northcote yesterday afternoon to tea, followed by games. It had originally been hoped to hold the party in the lovely grounds of Mountain Lodge on the Peak, but the bad weather which prevailed during the week and the early part of the morning prevented this.

Lady Northcote accordingly provided the tea at Sunlands Hut, the Guides' headquarters in Murray Path.

This is the first time that Lady Northcote, who is a patron of the association, had stood host to the Guides, and the occasion was seized to ask her to present the "Prince of Wales Pennant," which is competed for annually.

The Fourth Kowloon Company won the pennant, while a silver cup was presented by Lady Northcote to the First Kowloon Company, who were runners-up.

Following the tea, Lady Northcote and her guests adjourned to the hard courts at Flagstaff House where various games — of a type to baffle a more layman reporter — were played until early in the evening.

ANOTHER RAID IN LAMMA ISLAND

The alleged headquarters of a gang of junk thieves on Lamma Island was raided by a police party, under Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham, on Friday night.

The pirates apparently received information of the plans of the police who found the hut empty.

STIRS UP HIS ATAVISM

TO THE EDITOR, "THE SUNDAY HERALD."

Sir,—I am not an expert on horticulture, but any of the other arts and sciences connected with plant life; I can tell the difference between an antismacassar and a pansy (providing I'm not rushed), but that is about the sum total of my knowledge on the subject.

Nevertheless, having lived for many years in a city where the only vegetation seemed to consist of a few scrawny trees and some odd patches of grass which were hidden from view at regular intervals by men and women kicking, swiping, cursing and otherwise mistreating balls of various shapes and sizes, I have become greatly enamoured of the luxuriant sub-tropic vegetation so lavishly spread over Hong Kong. It possibly has had a greater effect on my city-starved sensibilities than might on the jaded palates of residents of long standing.

Four times a day, and sometimes oftener, I stroll along Lower and Upper Albert Roads, and others in their vicinity, on my way to and from the office. But it has become increasingly obvious of late that this amble, far from soothing nerves wrung awry by the bustle of commercial Hong Kong, is beginning to have a directly opposite effect on me. The reason?

In place of the twitterings of budgerigars (I used to have a couple, so I know one when I see it) and various other birds, and the chuckling of the wind through leaves and branches, I hear nothing but snapping, crackling sounds. Instead of wandering leisurely along the road, I find myself running in most undignified fashion after shoals of small and big boys who have been pillaging the hill-sides, dragging up bushes, snapping off thickly-leaved, green branches or scraping blossoms and leaves off tree and bush by the armful.

Not only is this undignified scurrying most painful to a person of my sedate habits, but it is also very depressing, as I realise that I wouldn't know what to do with one of these young hooligans should I actually catch one. The occasional policeman I meet (say, once every two days) is in pretty much of a similar predicament, with the difference that whereas he could do something if he ever caught one, he is even less speedy on his feet than this humble scribe.

Time and time again I've said to myself: "Abandon this fruitless pursuit"—but the sight of a tree surrounded by a gang of from 7 to 12 pillaging boys and youths sirs some slavish sense deep down within, and another vain, undignified chase ensues. As soon as I've gone round the corner, of course, they all return to the tree.

Can nothing be done about this state of affairs? A solitary, strolling police constable is of little use, even when there is one, as these gangs keep watchers posted. A motor-cycle patrol would probably be better suited for the work.

Arrests and punishments, of course, will not remove the basic cause of all this rape of the Colony's plant-life, but I suppose curative measures will have to wait until the war is over.

Punitive measures, however, may serve to keep this scandalous nuisance within reasonable bounds—at the moment, what bounds there are (if any) are certainly not reasonable.

WHIZ.

Twenty-nine cases of tuberculosis, six of dysentery, two of small-pox and one each of scarlet-fever, typhoid, measles and chicken-pox, occurred on Friday.

Why The Third Reading Was Postponed

FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT TO PROCEED ON THURSDAY WITH THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF THE ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS ORDINANCE WAS DUE, MAINLY, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" LEARNED YESTERDAY TO RECEIPT OF STRONG REPRESENTATION BY LANDLORD INTERESTS TO FEATURES OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

It is understood that the representations are being studied by Government and the law officers of the Crown, and that there is a possibility that the issues raised will be debated in open Council.

No details of the nature of the protests are available but it is believed that the proposed amendments are being attacked in principle.

Under Government's proposals, the scope of the principal Ordinance would be extended to cover all tenements in the Colony, including bed spaces, excluding the limitation which required that a tenant claiming the protection of the Ordinance must have been the sitting tenant on or before June 3, 1930.

The reason for the extension is to prevent landlords from passing on to their tenants the War Taxes on 'property imposed under the War Revenue Ordinance.

Except in cases where it would be established that the rent of premises was below the average for similar premises in the same neighbourhood, the amending Ordinance, for practical purposes, placed a ban on further rent increases for the duration of the war.

STABILISING FARES TO MACAO

Proposals to stabilise fare and freight charges between Hong Kong and Macao are now under discussion by representatives of shipping companies concerned in the trade between the two colonies, the "Sunday Herald" learns from an authentic source.

The discussions have been going on for some time, but have not been completed.

The main object is to eliminate cut-throat competition which has recently reduced the income of all companies concerned.

ART EXHIBITION

An Exhibition of paintings by Mr. Johnson Lee is being held at St. John's Cathedral Hall until Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., under the auspices of the Hong Kong Working Art Club.

Forty per cent of the proceeds of sales will be applied in aid of the Anti-T. B. Campaign.

CHORAL GROUP TO PLAY "RUSTICANA"

The forthcoming production by the Choral Group at the King's Theatre of "Cavalleria Rusticana," the opera by Pietro Mascagni, is a musical event of first importance.

Not only will it give Hong Kong an opportunity of hearing the most widely-performed Italian opera of the last 50 years, but in ambitious production, a definite step forward is being made.

Active rehearsals under Prof. Elisio Guadri, producer and conductor, have been in progress for five months, and the standard attained by both principals and chorus, in the opinion of critical musicians who have attended the rehearsals, is astonishingly good in a place where dearth of talent is often lamented.

Some conception of what may be expected may be obtained by recalling the many excellent concerts and broadcasts given by the Choral Group in the past six years.

Particularly memorable was their performance of Puccini's oratorio, "The Resurrection of Christ," at St. Teresa's Church at the beginning of the year. In spite of lack of advance publicity, the Church was filled to overflowing, and the capable manner in which the Group rendered the oratorio work is still remembered with satisfaction.

The principal parts in "Cavalleria" are being undertaken by the singers who were soloists in the oratorio.



Mr. Chao Pak-yu and Miss Chao Hing-yen who were married at the Registry during the week. (King's Studio).

TEN FISHERMEN WENT A-FISHING

Ten Chinese fishermen went fishing in the controlled mined area in East Lamma Channel at 8 a.m. on Friday.

Yesterday morning, they were each fined \$10 by Commander G. F. Hoie, Harbour Master, at the Marine Court.

FREE SCHOOL PETITION REJECTED

THE PETITION BY charitable organisations supporting free schools in the Colony, requesting the Director of Education to amend or defer enforcement of the new regulations governing premises, has been rejected by Mr. C. G. Solis, the "Sunday Herald" was authoritatively informed yesterday.

The Committee of Nine, representing the organisations concerned, are, however, preparing a new petition to be submitted to the Governor-in-Council.

In order to comply with the regulations which came into force at the beginning of the year, most of the schools would have to completely alter their premises and others would have to remove.

The petition explained that the new regulations affected the free schools to such an extent that it was felt necessary to appeal for amendments to the regulations or deferment of enforcement until conditions are more suitable.

OI KWAN INSURANCE MEETINGS

In connection with the Oi Kwan Life Assurance Company (in voluntary liquidation), it is announced in the "Gazette" that meetings of the policy holders and beneficiaries under policies of unsecured creditors and of members of the Company will be held separately at No. 63, Des Voeux Road Central on June 11.

It is proposed to consider a Scheme of Arrangement between the parties concerned.

Policy holders will meet at 10 a.m., creditors at 11.30 a.m. and the members of the Company at 3 p.m.

FULL WATER SUPPLY LIKELY

Water restrictions, which have now been in force for over a year, are to be lifted soon.

Yesterday the Hon. Director of Public Works, told the "Sunday Herald" that the public will be notified through the press very shortly. At present the supply is cut off at 10 p.m. and resumed at 6 a.m.

The total rainfall in the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. yesterday, was 4.33 inches, bringing the total since the beginning of the year to 22.49 inches against an average of 10.55 inches.

GAMBLING IN LATRINE

A latrine at Kowloon Docks, gambling rendezvous for 22 blacksmiths, masons, electricians, fitters, boiler-makers and coolies, was raided on Friday by the Police.

Two of the men, alleged to have been managing the gambling business for a considerable time, catering for lockyard employees, were fined \$40, or one month and \$20, or three weeks respectively, while the remainder were each fined \$1.

GIRL WHO RAN AWAY FROM HOME

A FINE OF \$10 WAS IMPOSED ON A WIDOW, LI KIM, 47, BY MR. G. SHELTON, K.C., YESTERDAY, FOR FAILING TO NOTIFY SESSSION OF A WARD.

Mr. W. H. Fraser said the girl ran to Wanchai Police Station on the night of April 20, and said she left home because defendant had assaulted her.

According to the girl, she was sold a defendant for \$30 in Fatsan, a few years ago. She received sufficient food and clothing. Defendant had been in the Colony since June 21 last year.

CONTROL OF CAR AND RADIO IMPORTS

A ban on importations of motor vehicles and radio sets, except under licence, was announced by the Controller of Trade in the "Gazette" yesterday.

The Control of Trade Offices have

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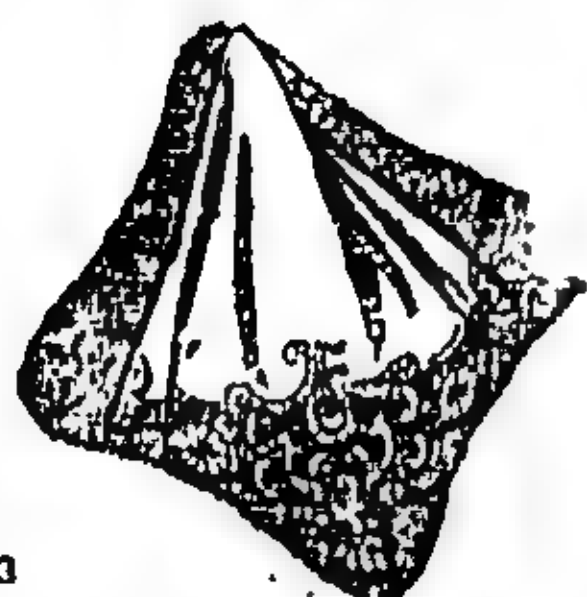
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in London in 1910, at the old Victo-
ria. Starting out as a kitchen
clerk, which he smilingly designa-
tes as the most menial of posts, he
progressed steadily to what is
known as the "front office," in other
words, the reception desk. It was
during his period of apprenticeship,
some time in 1912, that London
was treated to one of those
magnificently-staged hoaxes which
go down in history, and which are
never forgotten by those partici-
pating. One fine day, after due
reservations and ceremonies, an
Egyptian prince was welcomed to
the hotel. All the rites were gone
through, the agitations and bustle
of the staff from manager
down, the arranging and re-
arranging of the suite for royalty,
the breathless preparations. The
prince, designed to express his sat-
isfaction, and proceeded to order a
banquet and ball for seven hundred
guests. Representatives of the
consular services, the cream of
London society, the notables of
the city, all came and dined and
shone. For the occasion, the large-
est ballroom had been transform-
ed into the deck of a battleship.
No detail was overlooked, the
chamber was indeed, in all verisim-
ilitude, that rather grim affair,
a battleship—complete even unto
gun turrets, which in the course
of the evening fired off bonbons
and crackers! And all was merry
and noisy, the dancers whirled,
the orchestra gave their best, the
guests were proud to see and be
seen by each other, the prince
beamed.

BUT at length the final guest says
a final farewell, the last saluta-
tion is exchanged, the lights are
turned out on a successful party.
Next day comes the denouement—
the presentation of the bill, the
sad realisation that there is no
where-withal to meet it, the even
sadder realisation that the prince
is indeed a prince-of-hoaxers.

though not of the Egyptian blood
royal!

BUT this, as we say, comes under
the head of training for a
hotel manager, though it is not
given to all to be tricked on such
a scale. There are other, more last-
ingly pleasant experiences, which
Mr. Chessex recalls, and which he
mentions to prove his point that a
hotel career holds many promises
for a young man. He speaks of
his years with the Carlton Hotel in
London, during which he received
and escorted the late King and
Queen of Belgium (parents of the
reigning King), and tells of the
visit of M. Paderewski during
the time he was President of Po-
land. Admiral Slins and Comman-
der Babcock of the U.S. Navy, too,
were guests at the Carlton—Com-
mander Babcock, incidentally, was
in command of the American fleet
during the 1914-18 war. The fam-
ous opera singer, Adelina Patti,
then the Baroness Caderstrom, was
another notable visitor. And Sir
Basil Zacharov, together with M.
Gulbenkian, owners of gigantic
munitions works, stopped at the
Carlton, as did Rudolf Valentino
and his wife, Natacha Rambova;
Douglas Fairbanks, Mary Pickford
and Jack Pickford—and others of
the famous too numerous to men-
tion. Though one more must be
spoken of, for his visit, in a sense,
compensated for the pseudo-Egypt-
ian-prince. This was the Maharajah
of Bikanir, who, coming to
London to attend the Queen's court,
stayed at the Carlton.

IN 1922, then, with twelve years
of experience, gained, Mr. Ches-
sex decided to strike out in another
type, for hotels of the "de luxe"
kind in London were undergoing
a falling off of business. Remov-
ing to Canada, he spent the next
eight years managing the hotels of
the Canadian National Railways,
at Winnipeg, Montreal and Banff.
During this time, he says, his
thoughts often turned to the East,
for a boyhood friend, also trained
for a hotel career, had come out
earlier, and the two had maintain-
ed a warm and steady correspond-
ence.

WHEN his Canadian contract was
over, Mr. Chessex returned to
London. Soon an invitation arrived
from his friend, bidding him to
Shanghai. This was just what he
wanted, and 1931 found him at
work with the Hongkong-Shang-
hai Hotels. After four years in
the Palace and Astor Hotels, he
was offered the management of
the Gloucester, and, he says, has
never had cause to regret the move.
For Hong Kong suits him fine, the
Company is a good one to work
for, the hotel functions smoothly
and pleasantly, reflecting perhaps
the aforementioned uniform good
temper of its manager, a good tem-
per always evident in men engaged
in a career of their own choosing.
And Mr. Chessex pauses to remark
that his father was one of four
brothers, two of whom became
famous surgeons still practicing in
Switzerland, the other two going
into the hotel business. For him-
self, if he had it all over again,
he would have no other work. And
he quotes a bit of wisdom im-
parted by his father. "If you cater
to people, give them the food and
lodging which all must have, you
are bound to prosper."

WHAT, then, to the mind of a
hotel manager, would constitute
the perfect hotel? Without hesita-
tion, Mr. Chessex sketches its out-
lines. A perfect hotel, he believes,
should have no more than two hun-
dred rooms. Just consider, he says,
the Stevens Hotel of Chicago, the
largest hotel in the world. Why,
it has three thousand rooms; when
a guest enters and books a room,
he becomes a mere number, or
perhaps a key; he never meets the
manager, nor does the manager
meet him; the whole transaction
is impersonal to the nth degree. But
in the ideal hotel, the number of
rooms would be small so as to
make a personal contact possible.
Of course, it would be arranged in
suites, furnished simply yet beau-
tifully. It should have an attrac-
tive grill room, a good restaurant,
banquet rooms of some elegance
and a ballroom that would be an
object of pride to guests and man-
agement alike! But above all, it
must be so sized and arranged that
the manager may himself be able
to assure the comfort of the
guests, and may get to know those
guests as fellow human beings.

THIS ideal hotel, of course, should
have an ideal manager. His
qualifications in Mr. Chessex's way
of thinking, are not numerous. Let
him have a calm and not easily
ruffled temperament, a natural lik-
ing for people, a little reason-
ableness, let him know two or three
languages; and he will fill the
post to everybody's satisfaction. As
for Mr. Chessex himself, he speaks
French and English with equal
fluency, and has a working know-

pany commander. In 1906, the war
over, he left Russia permanently,
for he did not favour Czarist me-
thods of rule. Going to Australia,
he was soon at work in his own
profession, as chemical engineer

places, meeting new people, ob-
serving new manners and modes.
OF the ports he has been station-
ed in, he counts Canton as per-
haps the most interesting, because

ledge of Italian and German, im-
portant requirements for British
and Continental hotel people.

AS to recreations, he confesses
that in earlier youth he was
wild about motor-cycling, a sport
dropped of late. An enthusiasm
for fishing is still maintained,
though, and he admits that one of
the chief attractions of this diver-
sion is the enforced solitude, for



PAUL CHESSEX

when one is constantly talking to
and dealing with people, it is good
to get away for a while where no
voice is heard and relaxation is
complete.

Sergius John
Sadkowsky

PAUSING for a brief visit in Hong
Kong is Mr. Sergius John Sad-
kowsky. Over sixty now, he has
been in the Chinese Customs Ser-
vice for more than twenty years.
Educated as a chemical engineer,
the Russo-Japanese war of 1904-05
tore him out of that profession and
plunged him into battle, as a com-

employed by the Harrington Com-
pany. The years spent in Aus-
tralia he describes as the happiest
time of his life; there he found, he
says, those forms of democracy
which he had been seeking, forms
under which all men may work as
equals. In fact, things were so
much to his taste that he arrived
at the decision to adopt England
as the nation of his allegiance, and
as soon as residence and other re-
quirements allowed, he became a
British subject.

PROMOTION in his profession,
too, was rapid. 1908 found him
transferred to Colombo, Ceylon,
where he managed the Company's
factory. Here he pauses to tell of
his first impression of that city,
still bright in his memory. He ar-
rived, he describes, on one of those
evenings when the air was some-
what fresher than is usual in that
muggy clime. Strolling along the
waterfront, he beheld a young
couple open their cottage windows
to the breeze and sit down quietly,
side by side. They exchanged no
word, in fact, relaxed after the
work of the day, they scarcely
moved, but sat in that silent com-
panionship which needs no talk.
And it was the remembrance of
that incident which made up for
the discomforts of the climate dur-
ing his years of work in Colombo.

WHEN the World War of 1914-
18 began, Mr. Sadkowsky
served as lieutenant in the Royal
Navy division; later transferred to
the Army, he stayed in the British
forces for the duration. It was
shortly after the end of that war
that he entered the Customs Ser-
vice, a field in which he has re-
mained ever since.

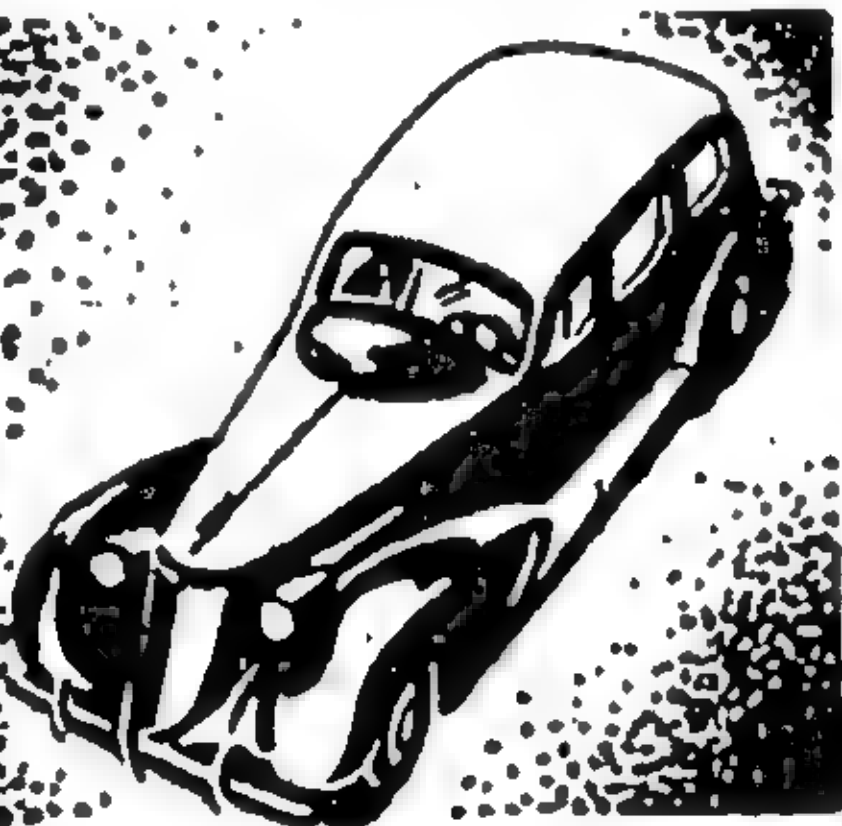
NOT the smallest of the factors
making this occupation so en-
grossing to Mr. Sadkowsky is the
travel and change of scene atten-
dant upon transfers from post to
post. For, with a freshness be-
yond his years and the evidence of his
snappy Van Dyke beard, he
thoroughly enjoys seeing new

places, meeting new people, ob-
serving new manners and modes.
OF the ports he has been station-
ed in, he counts Canton as per-
haps the most interesting, because

SOMEBODY had whispered to us
that Mr. Sadkowsky has been
all over the world. No, he amends,
not quite, for he has never been
in Germany, but he has visited
practically every other nation on
this globe. Anecdotes he describes
a visit to the States during the era
of Prohibition, and he tells of the
complicated and somewhat comic
manoeuvres indulged in by New
York friends who led him on visits
to the "speakeasies," those unusual
institutions carefully barred and
guarded and disguised as clubs,
where the forbidden juices could
be imbibed. Here one had to know
the password and successfully un-
dergo scrutiny through the small
peephole which was an inevitable
part of the door of each such edi-
fice.

WHEN another leave fell due last
year, he travelled to Europe via
Canada, both because he wished to
visit a daughter there and because
that Dominion he had not yet seen;
and his idea of a good vacation is
to visit a town, a city or a country
not previously viewed. During his
stay in Hong Kong, he is carrying
through a full schedule, for he
must explore all the corners of the
town, must familiarise himself with
just what makes the city tick. The
Hong Kong visit, too, is by way
of commemorating an important
occasion in the life of this remark-
able gentleman, for Mr. Sadkowsky
is celebrating his second marriage
which took place on the twentieth
of this month, his bride being the
former Miss Rodvan of Shanghai,
daughter of a former engineer as-
sociate of Mr. Sadkowsky.

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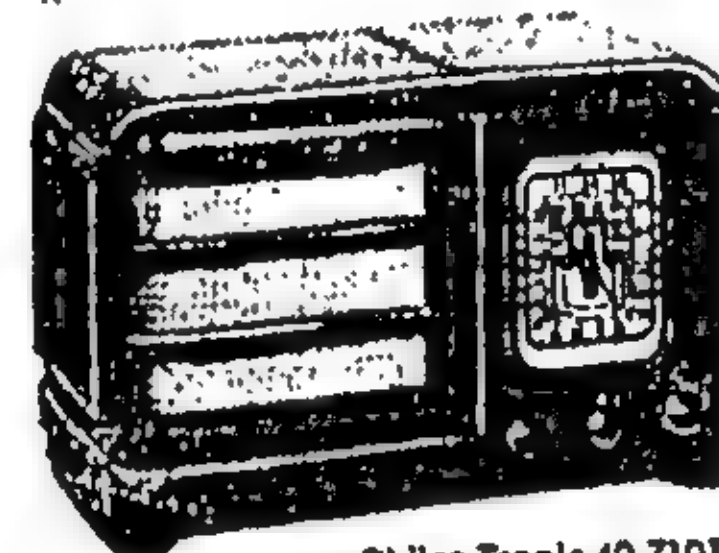
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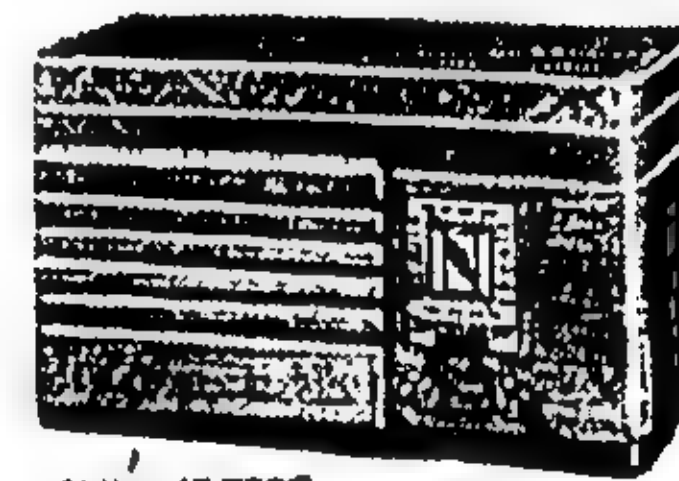
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There Is Another England But This Is What My Wife And I Met ON HOLIDAY

MY wife and I have just taken our first holiday since the war. We were vaguely wondering whether we would enjoy it, not quite knowing what difference the war would make. We expected the roads to be empty. Yet, if anything, they were more crowded during the Easter holiday and the following week-end than the previous year.

There were fewer motor-cars, of course, but they were more than replaced by the cyclists. It seemed as if the whole youth of England, all those either too young or too old to be in khaki, was out cycling.

On the downs and the moors we met the hikers and in the village lanes the girls and the soldiers, the old people with the very young—spring scenes of life and happiness.

We continued our trip to Somerset, and then north-east to the Midlands. The evenings and nights we spent in comfortable little country inns and the more impersonal hotels of the towns.

As always, our foreign accent immediately set people talking to us. Conversation turned on the war, attitude of the neutrals, Mr. Churchill's broadcast, the effectiveness of the blockade.

The views we heard were as varied as the English weather. Only once did we hear a man say that as the Allies would not win anyway, they ought to agree to peace now and hope for the best.

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Pupils of Roedean College (Brighton) keep themselves warm during the ice-match between the South and The West. (Copyright, Fox.)

A German friend of ours, a young publisher, had written from a neutral country where he had gone on business. He had left Germany a day after Easter, and by the time his letter had reached us he was again back.

He started with an account of his happy family life; a third child had just been born and his business was prospering. And then he poured out his heart.

"You would think," he wrote, "from what I have said about Germany and the children and the success of my work, that I am the hap-

piest man in the world. And you know that by nature I am always ready to see the best side of things.

"But life in Germany has become almost unbearable. We live in terror of the future. Things were bad enough before the war started,

but the cloud of depression, insecurity and brutality that has descended on us in the last six months is indescribable.

"From the purely material point of view, we are all right—for the present. Rations are sufficient, and while the food is sometimes bad, we can afford to go twice a week to our favourite restaurant and have a good meal by paying twice the normal charge.

"Food alone is not sufficient for life. The general attitude of your fellow countrymen to the small matters that combine to make our daily existence is quite as important.

"Imagine what it means being surrounded every hour of the day, as we are in Germany, by people who are so run down by the strain of life and worry about the future that they have lost all mental balance.

"The policeman who stops my car to inspect my special licence, and to make sure that I am not driving for pleasure instead of for business, uses

By W. KNOP

filthy language and crashes his foot on the running board because I cannot find the licence at once.

"The shopkeeper, once all smiles and 'at your service,' has turned into a pasha handing out favours as ungraciously as possible. The resentful customer makes an angry remark, and before you know where you are the shop resounds with bitter and abusive invectives.

"At the Post Office, the railway ticket offices, the taxation offices, you are treated like a recruit by a Prussian N.C.O. The courts every day are crowded with cases of misbehaviour, assaults, and actions of all types.

"The other night, when I had to make an important trunk call, I gently reproached the operator for keeping me waiting 30 minutes, only to be told, 'Shut up,' the words being accompanied by a sudden cutting off.

"It took me an hour after that to get hold of the operator again, and when I complained to the Post Office next day I was told not to make myself a nuisance.

"We seem to have become a nation of neurasthenics. The strain under which we are living has been too prolonged and too severe. Many friends of mine, Civil Servants and professional men, work 10 to 12 hours a day with only one free Sunday a month. Holidays are non-existent.

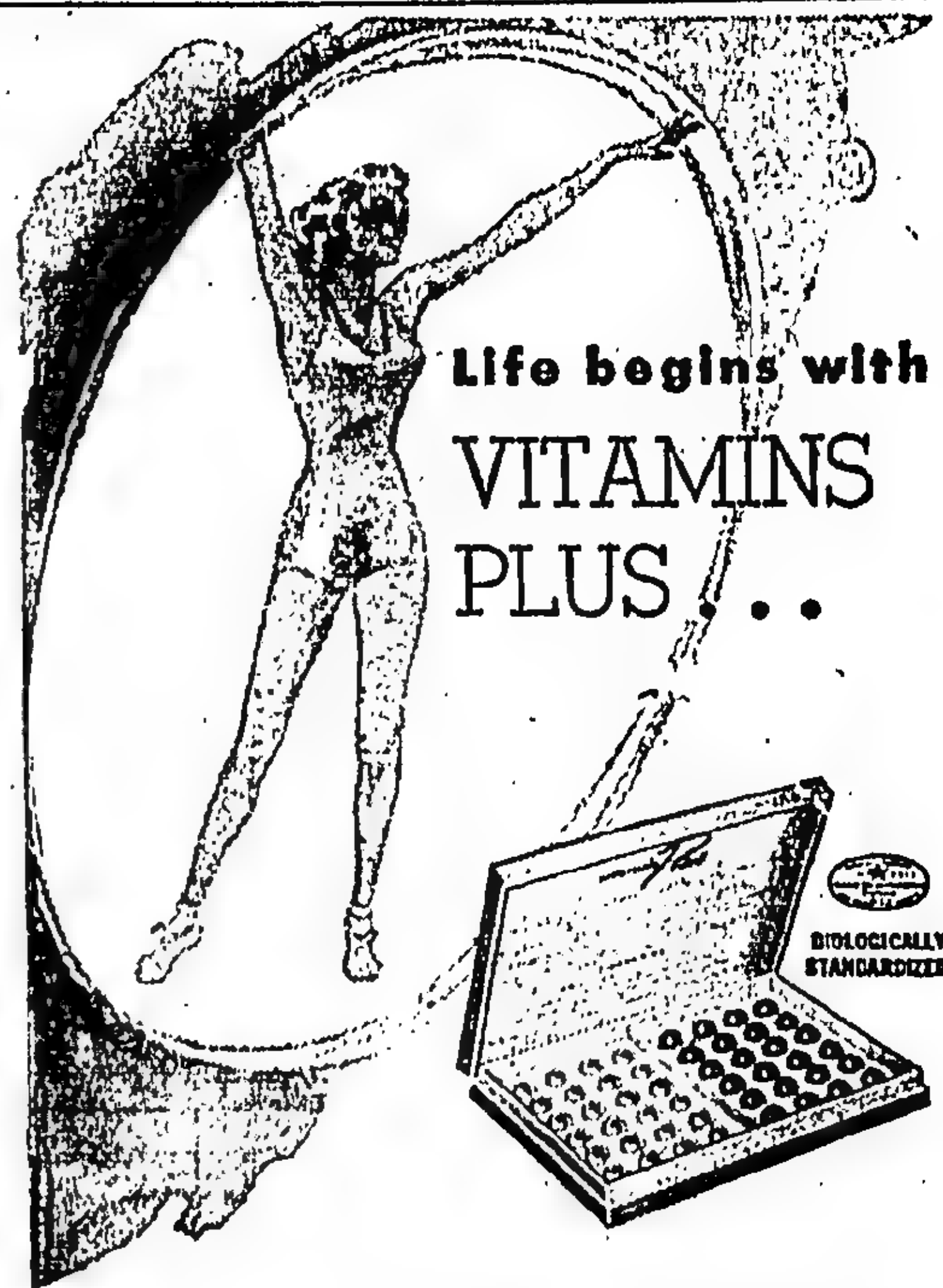
"As you know, Easter is a favourite outdoor holiday in Germany. People like to throw off the depression of the winter, especially when it has been such a ghastly ordeal as it was this year. A couple of days in the open air would have done the German people a world of good.

"Instead, the railway stations were plastered with posters exhorting the population not to travel except on urgent business, while everyone buying a ticket had to answer all sorts of intimidating questions about the purpose of his journey.

"At the outskirts of the big towns, S.S. and police stopped every car and took particulars of the drivers and passengers. If they found someone on a pleasure trip, he was fined on the spot, sent home immediately, and made to report at the nearest police station.

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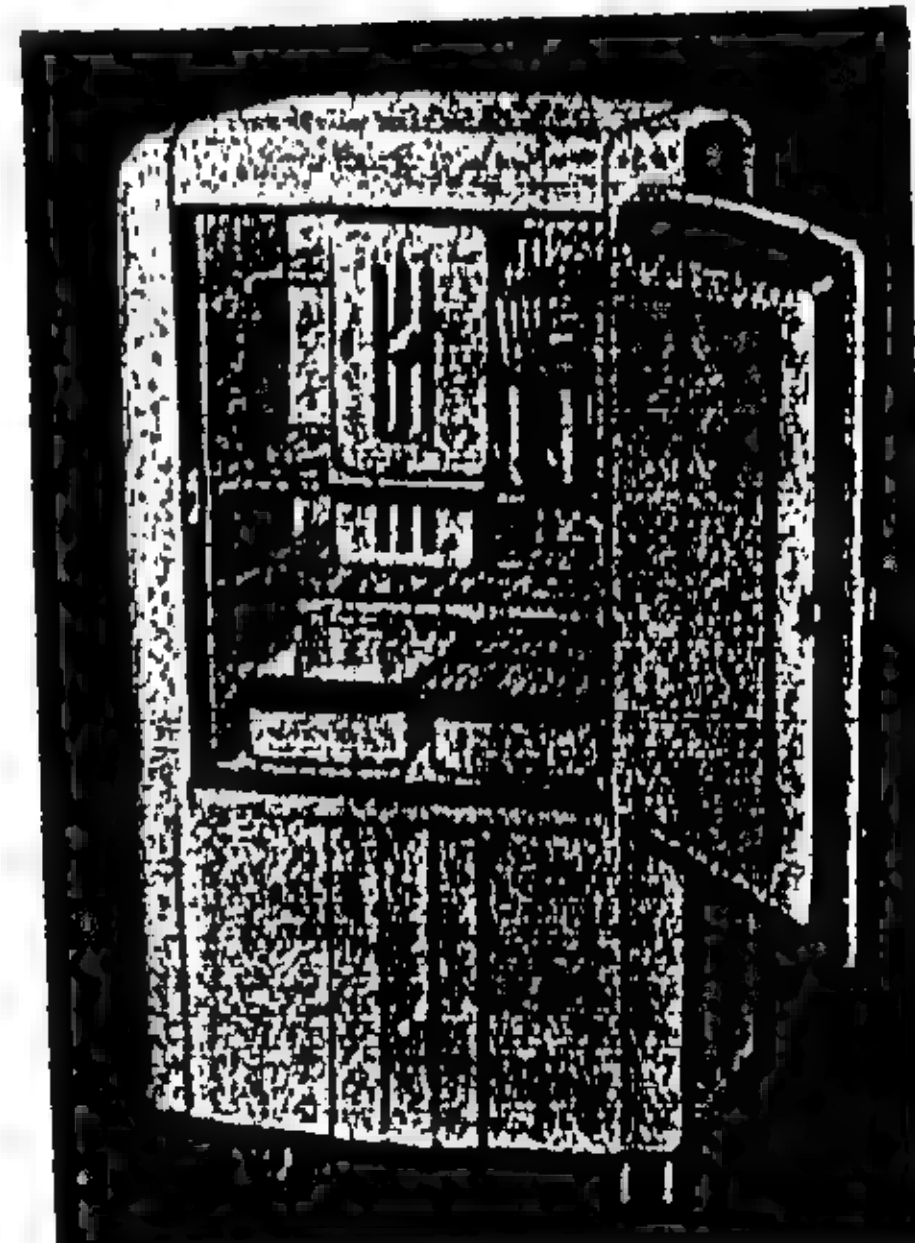
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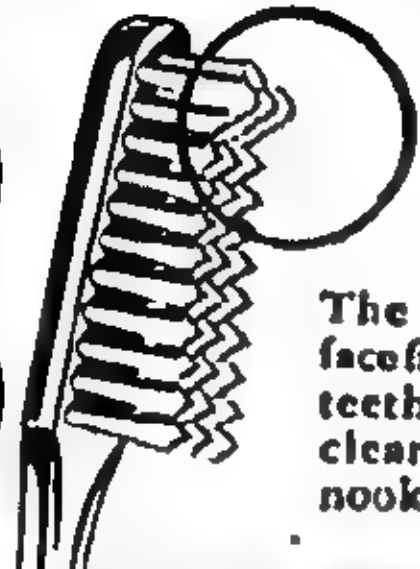
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'Throw A Ball Down'

Able Seaman McCall, of Rosyth, is 20. He calmly dismantled a disabled gun as the ship settled down, got it in order, and went into action again. Able Seaman George Rouse, of Plymouth, did the same with his damaged machine-gun.

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THE Reich's aggression against Denmark and Norway will seal Germany's doom. But it is necessary to understand, to draw the inevitable lessons, to perceive why it may succeed in part. It presents the same dual character as all Hitlerian enterprises.

In the first place, a complete contempt for the law of nations and for the underlying principles of humanity, further, in every field, a minute preparation enhancing every chance of success. These methods were easily applied in Denmark, which, owing to its situation and weakness, was guaranteed only by a scrap of paper signed by the criminal.

The same might almost have been the case in Norway. Undermined by espionage and treason, paralyzed by a policy which consisted, as in the case of too many neutrals, in refraining from defence in order not to provoke an attack, in believing that a lightning conductor attracts the thunderbolt, this country was unable at first to oppose an effective resistance to the aggressor. Thus it is that the Germans, thanks to their own preparations and to those of Norwegian traitors, were able to occupy important points.

This was not the case in Norway, and this is why the Allies were taken by surprise. It is therefore unfair to cast the responsibility upon the latter. But they can draw a lesson from this experience. They must intensify their preparations everywhere. Germany, in every sense of the word, has plans of aggression, available forces, spies and traitors ready to stab the victim in the back. Everywhere, the counter-attack must be more honest but no less minutely prepared. This does not apply merely to a counter-attack, but also to the initiative. The Reich is mistaken if it believes that it retains the initiative in this method.

Surprise Factor

Their first success was due to surprise. This may be a matter for astonishment in view of the fact that the intentions and the preparations of the Reich were by no means unknown. It is better to explain this at once. The main mistake made was to adhere to a conception of neutrality which, unfortunately, was not only current in Norway. This consisted—I use the past tense, for a change of mentality is taking place everywhere—not in ignoring the danger—and in this sense there was no surprise—but in being inhibited by the danger to the point of losing all bearings. Instead of seeking or even accepting the assistance of the Allies, it was refused owing to the fear of indisposing the box constrictor. Thinking that this animal was placated, the neutrals left their fate in its coils, after which, the sole obstacle being removed, it was easy for the lion to swallow its prey. This is what has happened in the case of Norway, whose courageous attitude

has since then definitely corrected her initial mistake.

The hard lesson for the neutrals is that, if they do not wish to be devoured, one after the other, they must not wait until they are already paralyzed by the slime of the beast. Not that it is necessary to attack their freedom of decision as to the methods of their defence, but they must be prepared. The measures of all kinds taken by those most threatened, those nearest to the Allies, show that they have understood this fact. France and Great Britain can reckon with their will to defend and on their means of defence, as they can count upon themselves.

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Disastrous

As for the aggression against Norway, this will be disastrous for the Reich. The fact that this small country, at first stunned by the shock, has not failed to present a heroic resistance, gives definitive hope of a victorious defence, which amounts to a certainty now that the direct assistance of the Allies has been made manifest. The Allied mastery of the seas, thanks to the vessels sunk and the mine barrages set, will play a large part in cutting off the invading German troops from their bases. It is difficult to send large quanti-

ties of reinforcements or heavy armaments by air. The position of the invaders will therefore be increasingly difficult. The Allies in their turn have succeeded in landing troops in Norway at a sufficiently early date. Meanwhile, Germany can no longer receive iron ore supplies by sea, and the naval losses she has incurred will considerably reduce her possibilities of action in Scandinavia and elsewhere.

But what is far more important is the toxic effect produced by the Allied intervention. The noise of their cannon has drowned the voice of the traitors and given an answer to the noble appeals of the legitimate leaders of Norway, thus encouraged to resist. This demonstration of the Franco-British resolution has also had a salutary effect upon the other neutrals. It is not sufficient to blame some of them for their passive attitude. It is necessary to understand the causes in order to provide a remedy. Their position must be reinforced by greater confidence in the assistance of the Allies. Their possibility of resistance depends upon

By Yvon Delbos

what they can hope for in the way of effective aid. If they are, or believe they are, more exposed to danger than sure of assistance, they will allow themselves to be devoured. On the other hand, if they feel that they will receive effective assistance, they will incline to resistance. The action undertaken in Norway has developed this sentiment. In recalling that the Allies have been victorious, they have breathed again, they have dared to look the enemy in the face, it is a hideous vision, but less appalling. Checkmate in Scandinavia is checkmate in Europe. From the North Sea to the Balkans, all the countries menaced are now aware that they can defend themselves, for England and France are there to help them—for England and France have the resolution and the strength to put an end to the crimes of the gangsters. (World Copyright 1940 by "Sunday Herald" and Co-operation. Reproduction in whole or part strictly forbidden.)

Liddell Hart On Scandinavia

THE dramatic news of the German invasion of Denmark and Norway has naturally come as a shock. It is likely to have far-reaching repercussions.

But, from a military point of view, the fact that the Germans have been able to establish themselves there can only surprise those who lack an understanding of the elements of strategy or the basic factors of the actual situation in Scandinavia.

The initial success of any such German coup was almost inevitable as regards Denmark, and highly probable as regards southern Norway. If further explanation must be awaited of the way that the Germans managed to secure the ports on the west coast of Norway, the general prospects of a suddenly delivered, yet well planned, move against these two countries were manifestly favoured by the geographical positions combined with their own defensive weakness.

Germany's inherent advantage in that theatre could only be ignored or underplayed through a failure to grasp the elementary law of strategic accessibility. Those who have ardently clamoured for vigorous action by the Allies in various quarters without regard to such reasoned calculations may now look foolish. But a proper realization of the strategic conditions should diminish the shock which the news has brought to the British public and check any tendency to exaggerate its significance.

Regret But Not Dismay

The events give cause for regret, but not for dismay.

It has long been obvious that Denmark could not hope to put up any effective resistance to a German invasion. Mechanisation has increased the possibility of, and the German Army's capacity for, swift penetration of Jutland.

And her Navy, operating within the sheltered waters of the Baltic, was quite enough to dominate Copenhagen and the Danish islands—thereby achieving the aim which Moltke would have pursued in 1864 if he had not been handicapped by Prussia's naval inferiority.

This occupation of the Danish-held passages into the Kattegat, was a strategic requirement of any operation directed against Norway, the main objective, in order to give the invaders a sense of security as to their communications.

It was in the last stage of the approach through the Skagerrak that such a seaborne expedition ran its

chief risk—of interruption from the British naval forces. Hence the need of surprise, not only in order to make good a landing, but to cover the outer flank with a curtain of mines, thus creating a protected corridor through which reinforcements could be passed.

The risk of interference was not so great as it might seem, if due account be taken of the short final lap which the main German move had to cover, compared with the long distance between that awkward area and the British naval bases.

As for the landing itself, this would be facilitated by the flatness of the southern coast of Norway. Where the defender has powerful forces, and in particular a strong air force, a landing on a hostile coast is the most difficult operation of war. These conditions, obviously, did not exist in the case of Norway.

Sweden, by comparison, might have been able to offer a considerable resistance pending the arrival of Allied reinforcements and aircraft. Thus we may note the subtlety by which the German move was directed against Norway, leaving Sweden alone yet strategically isolating her.

More audacious was that part of the German plan whereby the main ports on the west coast of Norway were seized. This was intended, clearly, to thwart an Allied counter-move to reinforce Norway's resistance.

Gains Time

For, otherwise, a situation might have resulted wherein the Germans held Oslo and the southern edge of the country, while the Norwegian forces, backed by the Allies, retained possession of the more important western coast.

So far as this German flank move may have succeeded, it inevitably increases the difficulty of giving early and effective help to Norway's defence. At the least, it may gain time for additional German forces to be passed through the mined corridor to support those which have already landed in southern Norway.

The importance of this result lies in the fact that, under modern conditions, possession is nine points of the law. In other words, the power which defence has gained in modern warfare makes it very difficult to eject an invader who has once consolidated a foothold.

It was thus essential for the Allies to lose no time over the action taken to counter the German move.

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PRIMARY EDUCATION

THE petition presented to the Director of Education by charitable organisations maintaining free schools for children of the underprivileged will not have been in vain if its effect is to bring once again under discussion the question of Government policy in the matter of primary educational facilities.

Mr. Solis has already intimated his inability to exercise his powers of discretion in the manner urged by the petitioners, and it is difficult to see that he had any alternative. The regulations which became operative on January 1 could have had no serious purpose at all were they not intended to eliminate the highly unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in so many Chinese-controlled schools, including a goodly number of those for whom reprieve is sought. And the argument that the schools, even when in hopelessly unsuitable premises, are an improvement upon the home of many of the pupils, merely raises an issue outside the immediate purview of the Director of Education.

That does not mean that there the problem should be allowed to rest. Nor is that at all likely. The signatories of the petition are now engaged in drafting an appeal to higher authority, and receipt of this second petition may be seen as an appropriate moment for survey of Government policy.

Reiteration of the well-based criticism of the existing top-heavy system which concentrates its weight on secondary education and the turning out of clerks and the like is surely not necessary at this stage. Official leadership, happily, is fully conscious of the Colony's social problems and keen to act for their solution and since the new regulations are primarily directed towards improvement of health, the close connection between community health and the influence which can be exerted towards all-round betterment of the conditions of life through education need hardly be stressed.

There is, in other words, an obvious need for drastic reform of the educational system with a view to relating it more directly to conditions existing in this Colony, and a demand for widespread primary educational facilities, the curriculum of which should include manual training for boys and such subjects as child welfare for girls.

In the meantime, the fate of the 7,500 children who may be thrown into the streets, in the words of the petition, by closure of their existing school premises, merits urgent consideration. It may be assumed that the case has been somewhat overstated and that, in many instances, school premises can be adapted at comparatively little cost. Where this is found impossible, on investigation, we doubt if it would shock the taxpayer were he informed that Government intended to contribute to conversion or to the provision of satisfactory alternative accommodation.

If it is asserted that such steps represent a departure from established principle, that is only to confirm that a change in practice is long overdue.

It is clear to-day that dramatization of the landings in Norway of British and French troops and of the speed of arrival of Allied forces in the sector north of Oslo aroused expectations excessively optimistic, and that the situation may worsen before it improves. Following the appearance of British troops near Hamar, they have been compelled to give ground steadily. The Nazis have occupied Lillehammer and have advanced some distance along the railway in the direction of Dombås, the main concentration point of the Allied forces south of Trondheim. Further east, armoured detachments are in command of a long stretch of the Oesterdal Valley, and although compelled, for the moment, to retreat from Rorås, the possibility of a break-through to contact the Nazi garrison at Trondheim cannot be ignored.

Too Much To Expect

Seen in perspective, there is nothing in events to justify discouragement. Hitler gained the initial advantage on April 9. It was too much to expect that by April 20 it should be entirely wrested from him.

Sweden's Circumlocutions

Sweden's position becomes no easier as days pass. Hitler's reluctance to move against her lest his iron ore supplies should be entirely cut off have not prevented him from assembling a huge force in Denmark which can move into Norway or Sweden at will or filling ports opposite Sweden with troops and troops. Indications are that behind the measures is conviction that the mere threat will gain for Germany her requirements from Sweden. The Government in Stockholm remains consistent to the policy which proved fatal for both Norway and Denmark, and will continue to placate if it can by any twist squeeze the form of placation into its own definition of neutrality.

Italian Talk

Nor is the Italian enigma any nearer solution. Astonishingly bellicose speeches have been made in the Chamber of Fasces and Corporations, investing them with more serious import than the accompanying anti-Allied press campaign. Il Duce himself, however, blows hot and cold alternately, and as good a guess as any other is that he has not yet made up his mind. Doubtly in high quarters may well have been amplified by the fortuitous (?) announcement by Hector Bywater that the five new battleships of the King George V class are carrying out their trials and shortly will be in commission.

Never Overlooked

Attitude of the Allies was made clear to Rome following the two-day War Council held in Paris. That the conference occupied two days is a fact telling its own story of high significance. Briefly, the intimation to Italy was that the Allies have never overlooked the pos-

sibility of Italian intervention and will not stand idly witnessing the employment of force to change the status quo in the Mediterranean.

The Neutrals Stiffen

In the meantime, the diplomatic picture has changed swiftly in favour of the Allies. The initiative which passed to Berlin on conclusion of peace on Soviet-dictated terms to Finland has swung back as a result of the speed of Allied intervention to save Norway. Yugoslavia has been encouraged to eliminate the Nazi danger in her midst. Rumania has taken similar steps and has again resisted Nazi pressure designed to reduce her to economic vassalage. Holland and Belgium are firmer than ever in measures to counter Nazi internal infiltration tactics. Switzerland has signed a trade agreement with the Allies which stiffens the blockade.

Russia Changing Her Tune?

Russia's stand, too, invites speculation. The effort to get on more amiable terms with Britain, by an approach to improve trading relations. The suspicion that Germany has designs on the Aaland Islands, occupation of which would go far to neutralise the position she has carved out for herself in the Eastern Baltic by indulging in the game of power politics. More friendly exchanges with Bucharest. The pointed indication of her interest in the Balkans provided by the negotiations with Yugoslavia. All go to suggest that Stalin is nobody's fool, least of all Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop's.

The Budget

Then, of course, there was the Budget. Sir John Simon submitted as a round figure £2,000,000,000 as the cost of the war to Britain in the current financial year, with a total expenditure of £2,587,000,000. To gain 45 per cent. of this colossal total from taxation, the scale of indirect taxation has been sharply increased, there is the promise (or threat) of a purchase tax, the scope of which has yet to be clearly defined, and the Chancellor intends to "raid" the Post Office Fund by taking its receipts into ordinary revenue. Pleading the Opposition tremendous, Sir John announced further the strict limitation of company dividends and the prohibition of share bonuses for the duration of the war. Parliament has yet to settle down to the battle on the controversial issues, but the debate has not been without its impressive features. Britain's mood has been magnificently expressed. Faced with figures of almost astronomical proportions, the weight of opinion has it that the Chancellor has not gone far enough. It would be interesting to see what propaganda The Goebbels could get out of that.

SCRUTATOR.

Battle Of Ideas: HOW TO PAY FOR THE WAR

By Hartley Withers

IN paying for the war two principles should, in my opinion, be taken as essential:—(1) there must be no lowering of the standard of life of the groups with the lowest incomes; and (2) there must be no interference with the facilities given to the younger groups of the population, by which they are enabled to grow up healthy in mind and body, well educated and well nourished.

As long as these principles are secured, the more we can finance the war by taxation and the less by borrowing the better.

For securing the first, direct taxation, in other words, income tax, applied to all incomes above a certain level, is obviously the best means of getting the money that we want; for by it the burden, or privilege, as we ought to consider it, of paying for the war is put into the hands of those who can afford to carry it, and who ought to be very glad to do so.

But as the income tax is at present assessed, any limit of income that we may name may prove to be a serious hardship to some on the lowest taxable scale. For instance, if £200 a year were taken as the lowest taxable line, then anyone with £250 a year would pay some low rate of tax on his excess over £200, namely £50.

In the case of an unmarried man, there would be no hardship in this—much less than is often involved by the black-out and other inevitable war-time nuisances; but in that of a man with a wife and three children, with a family income, that is, of less than £1 a week per head, any reduction would mean a lowering of the standard necessary to health.

What we have to do, therefore, is to alter the whole system of assessing the income tax, by a quite simple reform. We should calculate it not on the amount of the income received by the taxpayer, but on this amount divided by the number of the members of the family.

Thus, in the case mentioned above, of an income of £250 earned by a

man with a wife and three children, the income to be assessed would be, not £250, but five incomes of £50, and the family would be altogether exempted.

If this simple change were made, then the lowest taxable line could evidently be put much lower, without endangering the first principle on which I insisted.

Where exactly it should be put is a matter that can only be decided by those best informed about the living conditions of those in receipt of the lowest incomes. But if, as a sort of "sighting shot," we put it at £150, and if the tax on any excess were kept low enough in the lowest ranges, there would be no damage to an unmarried man's standard of life if he were asked to pay, say, 5d. in the £ on any excess over that line that he earned.

The rate charged, of course, would be steeply graduated. By the time it reached the £1,000 a year level, it might be as high as 15s. in the £ without damaging our two principles. An unmarried man would pay at this rate on £850; the excess of £1,000 over £150; he would thus pay £637 10s., which would leave him with £360 odd to spend, quite enough for a single man when a war for freedom has to be paid for.

A married man with three children would have to pay on five incomes of £200 each, or five times £50, which would work out at £187 10s., leaving him more than £280 to provide for his wife and self, and for the nurture and education of his children.

For it thus appears that this change of assessment of income tax has secured both the principles with which we started as essential to our war finance. It lets off the lowest incomes altogether and at the same time prevents the war-charges from being made intolerably heavy for those members of the middle class who have children to bring up.

After and above £1,000 super-tax might come in, or perhaps it would

be simpler to abolish super-tax and go on with stiff graduation of the income tax. For the outstanding merit of direct taxation—taxation on incomes rather than expenditure—is, that by graduation it is possible to make those pay who can; whereas indirect taxation is far more difficult to adjust in this manner. The cup of tea bought by a servant-maid is taxed as heavily as one bought by a duchess.

Nevertheless, more might be done than we do to graduate taxes on spending, as long as, with an eye to our two principles, we exempt necessities, such as food, milk and clothing.

A sales tax, or turnover tax as it is sometimes called, collected from the buyer by all sellers of goods or services costing more than say 5s., with the exception of the above-named articles, would at least secure that those who can afford to buy freely should help to pay for the war while doing so.

Only by experience can we find out exactly how to make these adjustments. The information necessary to make any estimate of their results is not available; and in any case the small space that I am asked to fill prevents my attempting to indulge in what would necessarily be nothing but guesswork. All kinds of allowances might have to be made for those who are liable under contracts for rent, mortgage interest and so on. But at least this is a scheme, in shadowy outline, by which the two essential principles are secured, and at the same time, there would still be a margin for voluntary saving, on the moral benefits of which Sir Herbert Emerson has lately made a timely and eloquent statement.

Even in matters of war finance, moral effects are worth considering. The Rochdale Pioneers set us a good example. Organising the provision of groceries, meat, clothes and, alas, they stated in their prospectus that "the objects of this Society are the Moral and intellectual advancement of its members."

Badly Wounded R.A.F. Pilot's Feat: Decorated After Stavanger Raid

370 MILES OVER NORTH SEA IN DAMAGED PLANE

London, Yesterday.

The King has approved the following awards for "gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy."

Distinguished Flying Cross to Pilot Officer M. G. Homer. Distinguished Flying Medals to Corporal John Wallace, Acting Corporal A. D. Coldicott and Flight Sergeant G. A. Powell.

Pilot Officer Homer was the pilot of an R.A.F. aircraft carrying out a highlevel bombing attack on two enemy cruisers anchored in Christiansand Bay, South Norway.

In the face of intense anti-aircraft fire and attacks by enemy fighters, he successfully pressed home his attack and his air gunner shot down an enemy fighter that burst into flames and crashed into the sea.

Although his aircraft had been damaged, Homer skillfully piloted it back to his base after a sea crossing of more than 400 miles. Coldicott was the wireless operator and air gunner in Homer's aircraft during this engagement and it was he who shot down the enemy fighter.

Fought Nine

Wallace was the wireless operator and air gunner in another R.A.F. aircraft engaged on the attack on enemy cruisers at Christiansand. They were attacked by 9 enemy fighters and Wallace displayed the greatest gallantry and coolness in the face of repeated attacks by superior numbers and shot down one enemy into the sea. Under wireless in-

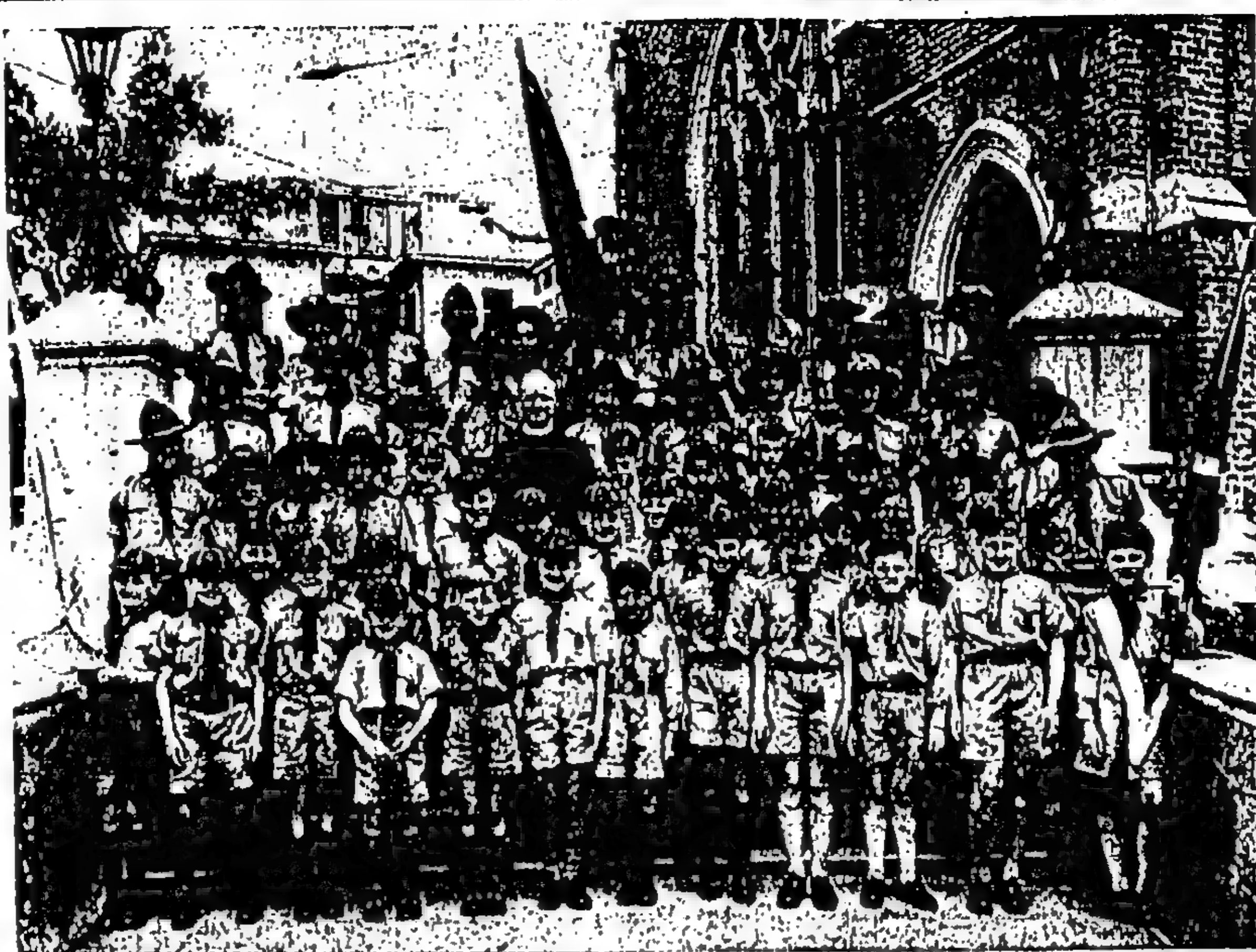
structions from the formation leader, Wallace's aircraft escorted another that had been disabled until the latter was forced to alight on the sea.

Wallace's accuracy in giving its position enabled a vessel to reach the scene and effect the rescue.

Sergeant's Feat

Powell was the captain of an R.A.F. aircraft taking part early this month in a low flying attack on Stavanger Aerodrome. This was pressed home with the greatest determination in the face of intense anti-aircraft and machine-gun fire. The aircraft received three direct hits, the first of which wounded Powell in the shoulder and left side and several damaged the aircraft.

Immediately he was hit, Powell dived near to the ground and made his escape to sea. Despite his wounds, loss of blood and difficulty of controlling his damaged aircraft, he succeeded in reaching his home base, a



Scouts and Cubs of Kowloon who attended Church Parade at St. Andrew's Church last Sunday. (King's Studio).

NAZI SHIPS SUNK

Stockholm, Yesterday. Two German ships—one of about 5,000 tons, the other of around 2,000 tons—have been seen sinking in the southern part of the Sound between Denmark and Sweden.—Reuter.

distance of 370 miles in extremely bad weather at night.—British Wireless.

YOUNG SOLDIER'S HEROISM

DASH THROUGH FIRE ON MUNITIONS SUPPLY SHIP

London, Yesterday.

How a young soldier risked his life in order to save a burning ammunition ship is told with the award of the British Empire Medal to Private Storey.

In January, the "Royal Crown," carrying ammunition, was attacked by a Nazi aeroplane and set on fire by a bomb while another bomb hit the vessel and, failing to explode, remained on board.

The ship was beached, and the crew escaped.

Two efforts were then made to get a party on board to extinguish the fire but both failed.

Storey volunteered to make a third attempt and climbed up the side of the ship by two ladders which had been lashed together.

After he climbed 35 feet, the ladder broke and he saved himself by clutching the block of the davit falls.

On reaching the deck, Storey at once dashed through the fire to the magazine which might have been reached by the fire at any moment and found a rope ladder. Again braving the flames, he lowered this over the side enabling the remainder of the party to get on board.—British Wireless.

AIR FORCES TO BEAR THE BRUNT

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Paris, Yesterday.

Authoritative quarters believe that the Allied air forces will now bear the brunt of the fighting in Norway, following the checking of the Allied military activities.

German aviation is busy dropping supplies for troops isolated in various districts.

The German expenditure of oil is enormous, and Germany's blitzkrieg is expected to turn into a petroleum war.

Large numbers of Allied planes and much anti-aircraft material is continuously being landed in Norway.—Havas.

RED CROSS GIFT FROM THE SUDAN

London, Yesterday. The British Red Cross has received a further gift, of £2,200, from the Sudan Red Cross Fund at Khartoum for the purchase of four ambulances. The ambulances will be named "Khartoum," "Red Sea," "White Nile" and "Blue Nile."

The amount brings the total sent from the Sudan to £5,700.—Reuter.

BELGIAN CABINET'S DECISION PLEASES

London, Yesterday. The Belgian Cabinet's withdrawal of its resignation is welcomed in London, where it is considered a triumph for the principles of Belgian unity and the leadership of the Belgian people.—Reuter.

VIGOROUS R.A.F. OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS

London, Yesterday.

The first official intimation that anti-aircraft guns are in action in Norway and that fighters are being engaged by Allied forces, is given in an Air Ministry communique.

"Vigorous offensive action by large numbers of R.A.F. aircraft against enemy bases in Norway and Denmark continued throughout Thursday and last night.

"Among other objectives, the oil tanks at Vallo on the Oslo Fjord were attacked and large fires were seen. A large transport was also attacked in this Fjord.

"North-west of Stavanger, attacks made on four large ships and on the seaplane base at Stavanger where a number of fires were caused. "One formation of our aircraft encountered and destroyed an enemy flying boat.

"Patrolling British aircraft also shot down an enemy bomber over the North Sea and attacked two enemy flying boats seriously damaging one of them.

"Five of our aircraft are missing. "Six enemy aircraft have been shot down by our anti-aircraft guns and fighters in Norway and eight others damaged.

"Some of our fighter aircraft engaged in operations in Norway have been damaged by bombing attacks." —British Wireless.

GERMANY CALLING UP 1921 CLASS ABROAD

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Berlin, Yesterday. All Germans belonging to the 1921 Class, residing abroad, have been ordered to present themselves at the nearest Nazi consulate to register for service in the army or labour corps.—Havas.

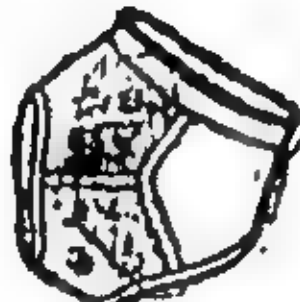
MEXICAN MESSAGE TO NORWAY

Mexico, Yesterday. The Mexican Government has sent a message of sympathy to Norway, deploring the Nazi invasion. The Mexican Government, says the message, remains faithful to its policy of condemning all aggression aimed at a suspension of liberties.—Reuter.



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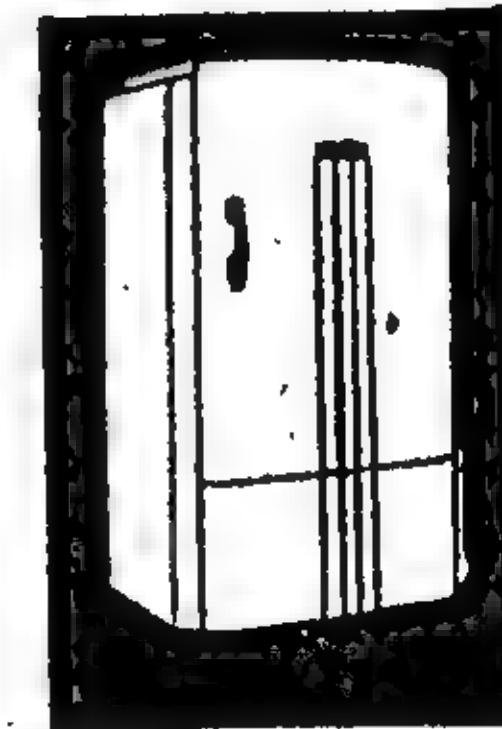
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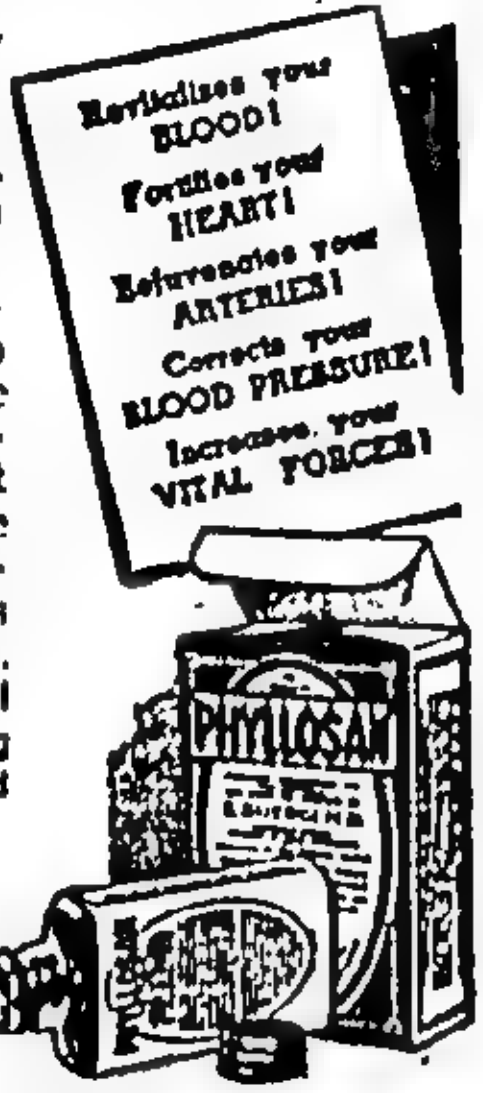
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A COPY of a secret map prepared by the Nazis to show how they were going to conquer the whole of Europe—with Britain due to "fall" in 1948—has been brought to London.

Each country on the map is marked with the year in which it would fall into German hands—a remarkable time-table of Nazi war aims.

The original map was found by the Czech police in 1938 in a raid on the Prague headquarters of Konrad Henlein, leader of the Nazis in Czechoslovakia.



BELGIUM PREPARED—Following the Nazi invasion of Denmark and Norway, Belgium has cancelled all leave and is now paying attention to its own defence. Photo shows members of the gun crew of an anti-aircraft battery on the Belgian coast. (Air Mail).

RETAKEN
AFTER
24 YEARS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")
Carcassonne (S. France), Yesterday.

Henri Le Merrier, aged 50, who was convicted of murder and escaped from gaol 24 years ago, has been arrested near here.

Le Merrier was sentenced to life imprisonment in Paris in 1913. After 10 months in prison he escaped. He lived in Brazil and the Argentine and returned to France after the last war.

Sensing that the police had been on his trail during the last few months, he fled to the wooded regions near here where he lived like a hermit. During the 24 years of his liberty he has earned an honest living.—Havas.

NAZIS
DE-BAGGED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")
Paris, Yesterday.

Cutting a German soldier's belt so that he could not run away appeals to France's Algerian troops as a means of making sure of a capture.

This is what happened yesterday in No Man's Land.

More than fifty Nazis were routed, and seven made prisoners, by twenty Algerians after a fight in a village.

Three sections of Algerians had been out for five nights, when it was decided that, to give the men more rest, the sections on duty would be halved.

The Germans chose that moment to send out a big patrol. A fight ensued and raged all night.

Seven Nazis took refuge in a loft. In the light of the morning the Algerians entered the village and some of them gathered round the body of a German officer which had been abandoned.

Suddenly, down the steps of the loft a German came with arms up-lifted.

The leader of the French section drew out his dagger, to the alarm of the German, and slit his belt so that he could not run.

"Go and fetch the others now," he said.

One by one the seven came down, leaving their weapons in the loft.—Havas.

AMAZING
OPERATION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A New York woman whose heart was punctured by a bullet after she had accidentally discharged a revolver is expected to live after an amazing operation.

Immediately after the accident Mrs. Elise Edralin was rushed to hospital where Dr. William Fraser, one of New York's best surgeons, operated.

He cut four ribs away from the breast-bone, and severed the muscles, thus making a trap-door through which he lifted the still beating heart. Then he closed the wound in the heart with three stitches, each made between bones.

Loss of blood had by this time seriously weakened Mrs. Edralin, but tests had been taken immediately she arrived in hospital, and she was at once given a transfusion.

Mrs. Edralin is expected to recover completely.

NAZI STOWAWAY
STARTS
BIG HUNT
IN LONDON

London, Yesterday.
The discovery of a German stowaway in a ship has started a great hunt for Nazi agents at all Thames docks.

Special Branch men of Scotland Yard are boarding every neutral ship entering or leaving the river and investigating the credentials of everyone aboard.

The search was ordered because London police three days ago arrested a German hiding in the hold of a Dutch steamer lying at a Thames dock.

He was taken secretly to Cannon-row police station, where he explained to detectives that he was a refugee from Germany and had stowed away at Amsterdam.

Two Englishmen caught. The Yard men believed his story, and he may be released after further inquiries.

He gave them valuable information about the ease with which he reached this country from Holland.

The need for a closer watch on Thames traffic was also emphasized by the arrest during the week of two Englishmen who were sent to Brixton Prison under the Emergency Powers Regulations.

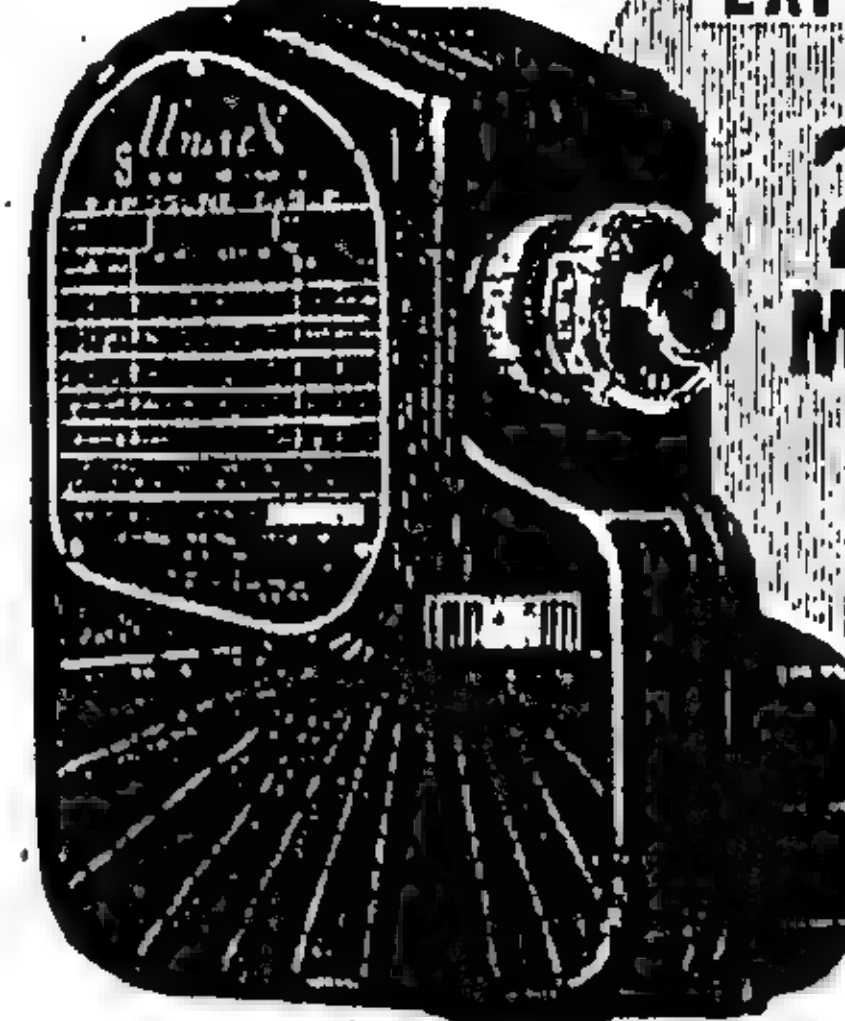
They were caught trying to obtain information from Government servants.

Their arrest coincided with the detention of a German who was in touch with them and was preparing to leave Britain. He has now been interned.

A local order, issued by the Flag Officer for the area, that no pleasure steamers or privately owned boats will be allowed on the Thames below London Bridge during daylight without a special permit has been confirmed by the Admiralty.

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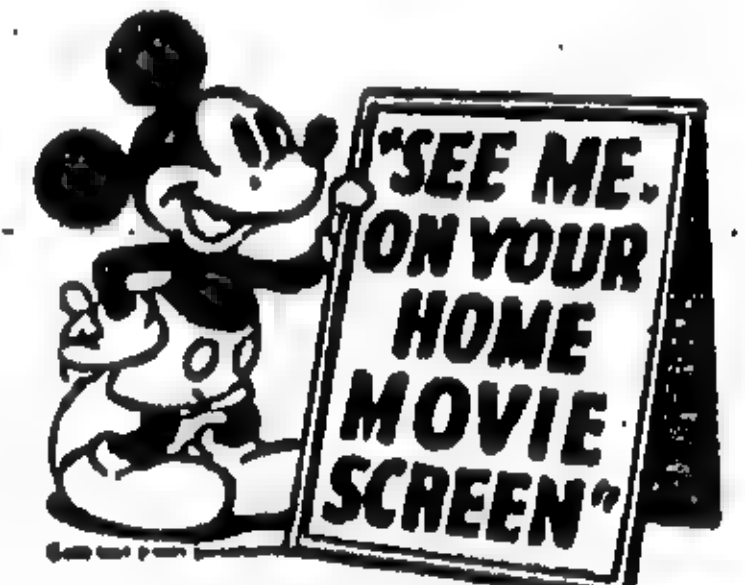
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Ribbentrop's Mistake

The cry of "German minorities are being oppressed" was to be encouraged, and the Fuehrer, father of Germans everywhere, was to march in to save them.

Great Britain was apparently considered no obstacle to the plan; she was "much too weak."

When Ribbentrop told Hitler that Britain was unprepared and would not fight for the freedom of the small nations and the freedom to order her own life, that miscalculation was the nail in the coffin of Hitler's Ten-Year-Plan. With the stand against him by Britain and France, Hitler's war has been altered in schedule.

60 ARRESTS
OF NAZIS IN
BELGRADE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")
Belgrade, Yesterday.

More than 60 arrests have been made in Yugoslavia in the past four days, and corresponding action, though not so vigorous, is reported from Rumania.

Belgrade police have uncovered a plot hatched, it is alleged, during a visit to the National Theatre in Belgrade of the Frankfurter Opera Company last month.

Members of the staff of the Belgrade National Opera have been arrested, including a German, Friedrich Schneider, who is lighting control expert at the National Theatre; Ludwig Engel, chief installer and ballet trainer, and Prompler Konrad.

'WARNING' LEAFLETS

Konrad is believed to have been responsible for the menacing leaflets which were scattered throughout the city, warning Yugoslavs against supplying the Allies with their goods and withholding supplies from Germany.

The leaflets were apparently scattered twice from a mystery car at night.

Some, however, were dropped from the balcony of a Belgrade cinema during the showing of a French film. They produced the opposite effect intended. The audience shouted, "Down with Nazism." "Seize the Nazi agents"—Havas.

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The Invasion Of Norway Was Long Prepared

IN speaking of Scandinavia, Dr. Haushofer, Chief of the Propaganda for German culture and science abroad, said:

"The superabundance of territory is so great that one is justified in saying that Norway, Northern Sweden, Finland, and the other Baltic states are under-populated. Not one of these small nationalities has a right to independent existence."

Dr. Haushofer is a distinguished professor who has provided Hitler with his policy of Lebensraum and is looked upon as one who fashions Hitler's policy.

Dr. von Niedermayer, who was military attaché to the Red Army between 1924 and 1931 and was the authority on this area lectured in March 1937 in Berlin on the strategic importance of the Baltic and the North Sea.

Obviously Germany must have coveted the possession of the harbours at Esbjerg in Denmark and of these at Oslo and Bergen in Norway with a view to developing submarine bases, and air fields in those parts in order to threaten and attack Britain.

In the last war the Germans believed they made a mistake in forcing Denmark to place mines in the Great and Little Belts. Though these mines prevented Britain from getting into the Baltic, they also stopped the German ships from getting out that way and so forced them to rely solely on the Kiel Canal. Now that they have got possession of Denmark they control these entrances to the Baltic and are in a much happier position or would be had they a bigger fleet with which to operate.

The strategy then for this campaign in Scandinavia was no doubt

thought out to the last detail. The impregnability of the Maginot Line, the uncertainty of the strength of the opposition that might be encountered in the Balkans and in the Low Countries, forced the Germans to break through the weakest part of the encircling crust. In Denmark it was so flimsy that the German forces merely had to lean in that direction and the resistance would immediately crack; as it did. Northern Europe receives the flood from Germany then because the banks containing it in other directions were too strong or too high.

Craving For Results

It was no doubt intended that the plan should be carried out in order to satisfy the urgent craving of the German people for proof of the invincibility of German arms and possibly in order to celebrate in a fitting manner the birthday of Hitler who, according to Sir Neville Henderson, believed himself better qualified to lead Germany to victory at the age of 30 than at the age of 58. Fifty presumably is the age at which the Dictator is at his best for conquest. The methodical manner in which the troops were landed in Denmark and in Norway belokened long preparation and there is also the fact that traitors like Quisling must have been corrupted and primed months beforehand. But in Norway something went wrong; Quisling, who is assured of a permanent place in the Hall of Infamy, evidently bungled matters, or was half-hearted. It is certain he was not altogether successful as a traitor nor was he acceptable as a puppet, than which no job is easier or more degrading. Then the German navy performed its own obsequies by going through that region

The Man Behind Lebensraum

Skirmishes Are Ended: The Struggle Begun

It was a graceful tribute. The name of Nansen will be forever associated with the cold northern regions round the North Pole and with his organisation for combatting the evils of man's cold inhumanity to man.

It is given to few people to achieve such honourable distinction as Nansen did.

Another explorer who springs to mind when one speaks of Norway is Roald Amundsen, the only man who saw both the North and South Pole and the first explorer to traverse the North East passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The small ship in which he performed this great feat was called the "Gloa" and is to be seen in San Francisco, where it has been set up as a permanent memorial. (Nansen's famous ship the "Fram" is in a special building in Oslo).

It was Amundsen who gave up his life to rescue Nobile and his party—an Italian expedition, which had set out in the airship to make a dramatic dash to the North Pole. These men were not explorers; they were theatrical performers, whose business was to "sell" Italy to the world, to prove Italy's resurgence. The loss of some of the Italian party was nothing compared with the loss of Amundsen.

He gave his life to rescue Italians, but the Italians are deaf to any appeal for reciprocal aid to Norwegians.

Grieg

Grieg, whose grandfather was Scottish, expresses the rugged spirit of Norway in his music, especially in

his songs, but his compositions have more than a national appeal. He has been called the "Chopin of the North."

If the Nobel prize is a measure of a man's worth and that of the nation which produced him then Norway comes well out of the test for not only did Nansen secure it for his philanthropic work, but so did Knut Hamsen and Undset, for their literary work.

It is then for such people that the Allies are fighting though the task is far from easy.

The Germans managed to secure the important ports in Norway which have good anchorage, docks, and warehouses, where ships, men and goods can be accommodated, but as Britain has control of the sea she cannot use them, whereas Britain has at her disposal inlets without these facilities and to this extent is severely handicapped in landing expeditionary forces. It must be remembered, too, that snow still lies upon the ground in Norway, that 70 per cent of the land is barren, and that the population is less than 3 million, so there is bound to be considerable difficulty in securing either local supplies or accommodation for men and material.

The struggle will be long and hard and will be a real test of physical endurance as well as of strategic ability. The Allies however are now cheered up, because the preliminary skirmishes have ended and the real struggle begun. The issue in Norway is one that will have considerable influence on the future of the war.

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the real resistance to the Germans. The Norwegians have awakened to the fact that they have been betrayed. The British and French share the same resentment for the same reason, for at Munich Hitler uttered a calculated lie.

Norway's Integrity

The question arises, why should we defend Norway? The answer clearly is that the integrity of Norway is necessary to the full security of Britain and therefore of France. The new air arm has added to Britain's responsibility for Norway. It would however be untrue to say that that is the whole reason. It is difficult to separate out motives, but undoubtedly there is a strong sense of fairplay, in democratic countries, which encourage and help these nations, which are small in population and therefore weak in power, to preserve their identity.

On the other hand as the totalitarian state denies individual rights and demands undivided loyalty and service from its own citizens, so it cannot tolerate the small state as an independent unit. There, one sees the real cause of this war. Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Denmark fell victims very early to this all devouring force and if Germany wins they will never have a separate existence as states, while being no worse off than the individual Germans who have no life apart from the State.

The Allies assert that this ideal or idea of life is much lower than theirs, and must be destroyed. What claim has Norway to individual survival? That question can only be answered by considering the quality and standard of her national culture, as expressed in her famous sons.

Ibsen

One of the greatest modern European writers is Henrik Ibsen, who was born in Norway and who not only entertained his fellow countrymen by the charm of his plays, but also provoked them into thinking about the great social problems, by his powerful dramatic settings. It was he who influenced Shaw and so reinvigorated the English stage. Most thoughtful people have read and have been edited by reading Hedda Gabler, Dolls House, and the Builder. How much poorer the world then would be without Ibsen who so ably expresses the life and thought of Norway.

Another Norwegian writer whose name has got beyond the limits of his own small country is Bjornson whose bright and cheerful interpretation of Norwegian life is as true as Ibsen's darker and more solemn picture. They are two facets of the same country. Bjornson was something more than a great author however; he founded the more radical party in Norway and was a staunch supporter of the Poles in their struggle for liberty, so that the help the Poles are rendering now in Norway is in recognition of this assistance.

But the name that will forever stand out in the memories of the boys and men of Europe and beyond, who thrill when epic deeds are performed, is that of Fritzjof Nansen, whose book "Farthest North", was so widely read and whose ship the "Fram" was far more than a mere Norwegian product or possession. These things seized the imagination of every youth as he followed the story with bated breath.

Nansen

Nansen became a household name as an explorer, but not satisfied with achieving international fame in one sphere, he proceeded to establish another name for himself in a quite different quarter.

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CRITICAL PERIOD AHEAD

Nazis' Initial Advantage In Norway

The Battle For Trondheim

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
THE MAGNITUDE OF THE ALLIED TASK IN NORWAY IS NOT UNDER-ESTIMATED EITHER IN THE BRITISH PRESS OR BY THE BRITISH PUBLIC AND NEITHER IS THE EFFICIENCY AND POWER OF THE NAZI FIGHTING MACHINE IN ANY WAY MINIMISED.

The initial advantage gained by Germany in a sudden, well organised and long planned invasion is widely appreciated and the consequent handicaps imposed on the Allied relieving forces well understood.

No one doubts the eventual outcome of the campaign and the inevitable difficulties and disappointments only increase the determination of the fighting forces and people alike to bring about the successful liberation of Norway at the earliest possible moment.

While there is general appreciation of the rapidity with which British forces were sent to the latest scene of Nazi aggression, it is realised that these troops were those most readily available and that it was necessary to land them at unprotected ports not possessing adequate facilities for large military operations, especially the landing of guns.

THE CONTRAST
 In contrast between this state of affairs and those resulting from the German action whereby the Nazis were able to seize the principal ports and centres of communications, is fully realised as an enormous advantage possessed by Germany as the result of her control of the airports and her present mastery in the air. It is fully understood that, at present, every great material advantage lies with Germany on the land as they did at the beginning of the last war.

Then, as now, the Allied people remember the words of Napoleon: "In the world there are two great powers—the power of the sword and

the power of the spirit. In the long run, the power of the spirit will always prevail!"
 Whatever advantages seem to accrue to the sword of Nazi Germany, they will always be transitory. The spirit of justice and of truth is with the Allies.—British Wireless.

Military Estimate

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

LONDON, Yesterday.
 Authoritative military circles here concede that a critical period in the campaign in Norway is about to be reached.

Should the Germans consolidate their positions by connecting up the Oslo troops with those in Trondheim, the Allies would be placed in a difficult situation, which would probably be temporarily resolved by concentrating on the northern part of Norway for the time being.

Having consolidated their position here—the German garrison at Narvik should not take long to destroy—the Allies would then turn their attention to the Trondheim sector once more.

The war in Norway is now going on in earnest, these military observers say, and the battle for Trondheim will prove a decisive factor in Germany's plans for Sweden.

At the same time, it is emphasized that the Allied troops are in no danger north of Trondheim.

The British and Norwegian forces here are strongly reinforced by the French, who are ready to come up to their support whenever necessary.—Havas.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations issued yesterday:

BANKS
 Hong Kong Bank \$1485 b.
 Bank of East Asia \$74 b.
INSURANCES
 Union Ins. \$500/495 s.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
 H.K. Docks cum Rts. \$22 b.
 Providents \$4.20 b., \$4.40 s.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
 H.K. Tramways \$17½/17.55 s.
 H.K. Electric \$85.40 s.
INDUSTRIALS
 Cements \$17 b., \$17 s.
STORES, AC.
 Dairy Farms \$22 s.
 Lane, Crawfords \$8 b.
 Wm. Powell, Ltd. \$1 b.
MISCELLANEOUS
 Entertainments \$7 b.
 H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 102 s.
LAST DAY'S SALES
 30 Unions @ \$500
 500 Trams @ \$17½
 200 Trams @ \$17.55
 75 Telephones (Old) \$20
 200 Cements @ \$17
 200 Dairies @ \$22.
 \$10,000 Govt. 4% Loan @ \$102

MEXICAN OIL SUPPLY TO JAPAN

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Tokyo, Yesterday.
 An increase in the supply of Mexican oil to Japan was announced at the first session of the Mexico-Japan economic conference yesterday by Senator Meza, member of the visiting Mexican trade mission to Japan, and the representative of the Mexican petroleum distribution office.

Mr. Tsushida, managing director of the Taihoyo Petroleum Company, added that according to the policy of the Japanese Government, the entire Mexican oil supply will be handled by his company.—Havas.

JAPANESE TRADE BID

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Tokyo, Yesterday.
 Aiming at the development of foreign trade, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has decided to add eight foreign trade service offices to the 28 already established throughout the world.

Special attention will naturally be paid to countries outside the yen bloc.

Thus three offices have recently been established in Tunis, Djibouti and Madras. Many new offices are to be established in central and south America and Africa.—Havas.

NAZIS SEIZE ON NEW ANGLE

LONDON, Yesterday.
 A SENTENCE IN THE RECENT SPEECH by the Minister of Supply, to the effect that it had taken little under a month to produce the equipment which is now being used by the British force fighting in Norway, has been seized upon by German propagandists to prove the accuracy of their claim that Britain was intending to invade Norway before the German aggression and that German action was necessary as a counter-offensive.

The fact is that a great part of the equipment provided for the expeditionary force now in Norway was assembled for use in Finland and it is this equipment which was provided within a month of the possible need for it being known.

Subsequently the equipment was supplemented at a few hours notice with other articles when it became necessary to send a force to Norway owing to the invasion by Germany.

There is no truth whatever in the statement that the Ministry of Supply prepared to equip a force for Norway before the actual invasion of that country by Germany was an accomplished fact, says a statement by the Ministry of Supply.

LORD CATTO'S INTERVIEW
 In this connection it is interesting to recall the report of an interview with the press by Lord Catto when he succeeded Lord Woolton as Director-General of Equipment and Stores at the Ministry of Supply.

He said: "You have heard that an expeditionary force to Norway has gone over fully equipped to fight a campaign under climatic conditions differing considerably from those experienced in other spheres of the war."

I wondered how the necessary equipment was supplied in such a short time. In the first place the Ministry had purchased some equipment for use in Finland. That had to be greatly supplemented and it was supplemented through the complete co-operation of many different trades in this country concerned in the supply of goods needed and the use in Scandinavia itself of the widespread buying organisation of the Ministry of Supply.

It was indeed an achievement to place that organisation into use at such short notice and to give the assistance of the great resources of Britain to Norway.—British Wireless.



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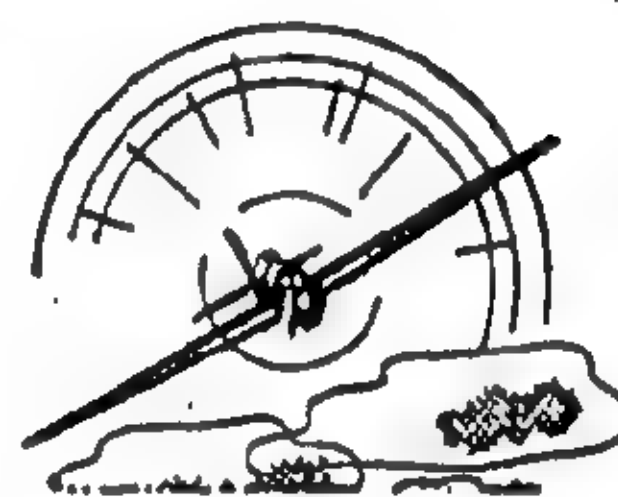
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LEE WAI-TONG NOT GOING TO PLAY FOR HONG KONG

AMBITIOUS TOUR IS CONTEMPLATED BY EASTERN: TO START IN MIDDLE OF MAY

EASTERN Athletic Association, winners of the Senior Shield football competition and runners-up in the First Division of the Football League, are shortly to start on a long tour which will include Burma, Ceylon, Java, Straits Settlements and French Indo-China in their itinerary.

WEEK'S TENNIS FINALS

Weather permitting, the 1940 lawn tennis championships will be concluded this coming week. To-morrow Tsui Wai-pui is expected to beat his brother and so defend his singles title against S. A. Rumjahn on Wednesday. Last week Tsui Wai-pui threw away a glorious opportunity of beating the champion, and it is doubtful whether he will be given such an opportunity to-morrow. This match is likely to provide the best tennis of the tournament as whoever reaches the final is more than likely to prove much too good for the evergreen Sidur.

The Doubles Final should produce some thrills with the Tsuis retaining their title. M. Pugh is expected to win both the Club Championship and handicap singles, while V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong stand an excellent chance of carrying off the handicap doubles.

Following is the week's programme:

TO-MORROW
Colony Singles Championship (Semi-Final)
Tsui Wai-pui v Tsui Wai-pui (holder). Stand Court.

Club Handicap Singles (Semi-Final)
A. H. Barwell (-1/8) v C. H. R. Hyde (-3/8) Court 8.

Club Handicap Doubles (Semi-Final)
C. B. Nicholson and G. V. Hobbs (-2/8) v V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong (-1/8) Court 8.

TUESDAY
Club Singles Championship Final
M. Pugh v B. C. Fay. Stand Court.

WEDNESDAY
Colony Singles Championship Final
S. A. Rumjahn v Tsui Wai-pui (holder). Stand Court.

Club Handicap Doubles Final
C. B. Nicholson and G. V. Hobbs (-2/8) v V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong (-1/8) Court 8.

THURSDAY
Club Handicap Singles Final
M. Pugh (-3/8) v A. H. Barwell (-1/8) or C. H. R. Hyde (-3/8). Court 8.

FRIDAY
Colony Doubles Championship Final
Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Wai-pui (holders) v S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn. Stand Court.

Umpire, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell. Presentation of prizes.

An American Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament will be held at Kowloon Cricket Club this afternoon, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

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Dempster 147	Carden 150
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Grant 104	Jackson 150
Gowland 91	Marsh 150
Gooding 120	Lewis 150
C. & P.O.R.C. 1	Talkoo Club 2
Marshall 119	Main 150
Horgan 150	Tocher 150
Honeywell 93	Stainton 150
D.R.C. 1	Garrison S/M. "A" 0
Jackson 150	Wood 117
Lewis 150	Pitt 56
Marsh 150	Carden 119

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CANTON CHAMPION TO PLAY FOR SOUTH CHINA IN THE TENNIS LEAGUE

(By "ADREM")

LIKE the Colony championships just concluding, the forthcoming Tennis League season promises little in the way of new talent and variety.

Senior Division teams, with few exceptions, will be composed of the same players who have carried their club colours for the past five years. As appears to be inevitable in this day and age, the championship is practically certain to go to Chinese Recreation Club, who have many more and much better players than any other club in the Colony.

It is possible, however, that the C.R.C. authorities, with an eye to the future, will try out such players as Pang Oi-lam, who created a very favourable impression in the present Colony Championships, in their fixtures against the weaker clubs. Pang is definitely a coming player and the experience he would gain in "A" Division should prove invaluable to him.

With the Rumjahn still available and playing as well as ever, it is fairly certain that I.R.C. will offer to C.R.C. their most serious challenge, although like last season, they are not likely to beat them.

The team will be exactly the same as last season with the following probable pairings: S. A. Rumjahn and Omar Rumjahn; A. H. Madar and H. D. Rumjahn; and A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Huzak.

Only one member of the younger generation who has made sufficient progress to be considered for the team is A. R. Kitchell, another player who did well in the Colony Championships.

South China Hopes
South China, under the leadership of Albert Chan, are looking forward to the season with some optimism. They are one team who have secured some new talent. The absence in Shanghai of V. T. Wang will leave a big gap, but against this they will have Chan Chi-keung, a player with a big reputation.

Former doubles champion of Canton, Chan did not play in the League last year but made a big impression when opposed to Tsui Wai-pui in the last hard-fought tournament. His partnership with the experienced Seto Bick should be a difficult one to beat.

Another useful acquisition is Tenny Kwok, who fully extended Tsui Wai-pui in a championship match recently. Kwok is an ideal doubles player, being possessed of a powerful service, deadly smash, and a crisp volley. He will probably partner the steady and experienced Lui Kwai-fan. Unfortunately he is not likely to be available for the whole season as there is a possibility that he will be returning to Shanghai before its conclusion.

The team will be completed by Albert Chan and J. Hou, who met with some success together last season.

Recreo Unchanged
Recreo have absolutely no new talent and should not do better than finish somewhere near the middle of the table. Their registered players are A. V. Gozano, A. V. Remedios, J. J. Remedios and J. Goncalves, with probably left-handed C. A. Baretto.



Miss W. Cheung showed marked improvement in her badminton during the season just concluded and supported her partner, P. H. Wong, very well when winning the mixed doubles title. (Fotofix).

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Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's 3rd Extra Series Race over 8.35 miles yesterday resulted as follows:

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Scandin	4.20.05		
(Mr. K. Kjerfve)			
La Linda	4.20.09		
(Mrs. M. I. Johnston)			
Eve	4.27.11		
(Major G. Alley)			
True Blue	4.27.40		
(Mr. L. Garner)			
Gull	4.28.08		
(Capt. A. O. G. Mills)			
Jess	4.28.10		
(Capt. G. E. Neve)			
Jenn	4.28.11		
(Mr. G. J. Tarr)			
Palmer Lady	4.28.13		
(Dr. Dean Smith)			
Tyrone Chai	4.30.07		
(Mr. B. Hirschfeld)			
Artemis	D.N.F.		

Mixed Class—Start at 2.50 p.m.
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Allen	4.35.05	4.22.52
(Lt. Col. F. D. Field)		
Widgong	4.35.05	4.23.44
(Mr. S. R. Hawke)		
Siskin	4.29.03	4.23.58
(Mr. D. G. G. Allen)		
Wendy	4.43.32	4.24.40
(Mr. H. W. Browne)		
Owl	4.40.17	4.25.25
(Mr. G. L. Eustice)		
Diuna	4.25.59	4.25.59
(Capt. H. S. Stansfield)		
Nannette	4.46.40	4.31.31
(Miss M. Corrigan)		
Final of Jan Trophy (1.05 miles)		
True Blue	5.09.38	
(Mr. L. Garner)		
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(Mr. G. G. Wood)		
Tyrone Chai	5.10.35	
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The late inclusion of Bright has strengthened the intermated line greatly, and there is little doubt that he will be in the first game.

Of the three bucks available, Leo Tin-sang is the most reliable. He was, however, greatly handicapped when playing at night in Manila, but he is assured of a place in the interport game, which it is understood will be played during the day.

PRYDE'S BIG CHANCE
In the absence of Lui Shui-wing, who, though invited, was forced to decline, Pryde should secure one of the inside berths. His stamina and energy should stand him in good stead while he can be very dangerous in the goal area.

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Later Lau Tau-man and Wong King-cheong, of Kwong Wah, were brought in. The former can fill several positions in the attack, being equally at home on the left-wing as on the right, while Wong, though normally a left-winger, can also play at inside-left.

TWO LINE-UPS
The following are two likely line-ups which would do credit to the Colony.

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Men's Portuguese team v. Rest. Chinese Girls v. Rest.
Full details of the arrangements for this trip are not yet available, but I am given to understand that L. R. Idefonso, president of the Hong Kong Softball League, has taken up the matter with the proper authorities in the hope that all those interested will be assured with a permit for the one voyage. Reduced return fares are also being considered.

The Selection Committee held a meeting yesterday and the following teams have been chosen to make the trip to the Portuguese colony:

Portugal	Rest
Henrique Barros	Herbie Quon
Johnny Alvares	Tuffy Chin
Kelly Silva-Netto	Nip Lum
Jackie Noronha	Ernie Hearther
Charlie Figuier	



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CRICKET PLAY-OFF I.R.C. FAVOURITES

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(By "ADREM")

THIS cricket season promises to be one of the most prolonged ever. The Junior championship play-off having been washed out by rain yesterday, will now probably be played next week, which will mean that the season will extend into May.

Except for the old days, when Interport teams usually went to Shanghai in May and the season was kept going until they sailed, seasons usually concluded at the latest by the middle of April.

This, however, has been an extraordinary season, and it is fitting that it should wind-up on an unorthodox note.

Venue of the match is likely to be Club de Recreo, and as long as it is available, both teams are determined to have the question of the championship settled one way or the other; neither have any desire to share the honours.

Indian Recreation Club have been the surprise team of the season. Last year they finished up in the third end, with little additional talent on which to call when they started the season just concluding, it was not expected that they would achieve very much.

Their first match, which was against the former champions, Kowloon Cricket Club, gave some indication of improvement, because, although they lost, they forced their then formidable opponents the whole distance and only went down in a thrilling match by 11 runs.

ARMY WELL BEATEN Their next two fixtures revealed little as they met two of the weakest teams in the Division—University and R.A.F.—and won fairly easily. When they beat a fairly powerful Army team by the large margin of nine wickets, however, and followed that up by beating Police by seven wickets, it was apparent that they would have to be considered for the championship.

Since their initial defeat, they have been held only once—a draw against Craigengower in an extremely tight match.

I.R.C.'s scores in the League, and the averages of their batsmen, reveal that their strength did not lie in their batting. In their eight fixtures, only three three-figure totals were registered.

Their bowlers, however, never let them down. Mr. R. Abbas being a model of consistency to finish up with the highest number of wickets in either division.

Y. T. Barma, with his slow, broke up many a dangerous partnership and for a long period, in the middle of the season, headed the Second Division averages.

ARCULLI'S PROMISE Lutterly, A. el Arculli, son of the former I.R.C. senior opening bowler, struck some of the form which made him one of the best schoolboy bowlers of last season, to finish up with 10 wickets and an average of just under 12.

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I.R.C. vs R.C.C.	85	by 7 wickets
I.R.C. vs Recreo	77	by 2 wickets

Indian Recreation Club scored 829 runs for 58 wickets, giving an average of 14.29 per wicket, against their opponents' 696 for 50 wickets, an average of 8.70.

BATTING

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T. Ali	1	0	0	18.18
F. Curran	1	0	0	12.73
H. T. Barma	1	0	0	11.57

Following also batted—A. R. Sufaid (12, 8, 7, 1), A. K. Minu (0), A. R. Marker (8, 5, 9, 7, 1), A. H. Ismail (19, 0, 0, 2, 29), T. Barma (5, 10, 1), J. M. A. Rumjahn (1), J. M. Rumjahn (4), Y. T. Barma (2), M. R. Abbas (2), A. R. Marker (2), A. el Arculli (2), F. A. Curran (2), A. R. Sufaid, T. Ali, M. R. Barma.

A. H. Ismail also stumped one. He conceded 45 extras in eight matches.

SOFTBALL BATTLE OF CENTURY TO-DAY

(By GRANDSTAND)

TO-DAY all roads lead to the Kowloon Football ground, where fans may witness a royal battle between the rambling Recs from Club de Recreo and Hong Kong Ball Club. Admission will be fifty cents and proceeds will be donated to the British War Organization Fund.

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hits mixed with some well executed bunts to buffet the Bullmen's infielders and flinger. In regard to bunt first-sacker Nick Beltrao of Recreo, Tony Alves and Caco "bunt-and-run" Marques are the fleet footers to watch. For long distance blows the Gosano brothers, Lino, Bertie and Zinho are usually dangerous, with the hickory.

PEREIRA DOUBTFUL I understand that "Spotty" Pereira is still nursing a sore back and may not be included in the Recreo line-up in to-day's encounter. If this is the case Recreo's infield will be somewhat weakened without the services of "Spotty," the one and only Recreo third-sacker who can really be depended on to cover the hot corner berth, besides his dependability with the bat.

If "Spotty" is not available A. V. Gosano will no doubt be transferred to third from the windy alley and Tony Alves will be brought in. Personally I favour the Portuguese lads to down the Bullmen, due to better team-work perhaps and their consistency with the stick and in the field, but your guess is as good as mine, if not better.

The tentative line-ups are:

BALL CLUB

Frankie Gonzales	P. Johnny Alvares
Harold Winglee	C. Charlie Figueroa
Terry Leonard	1b. Nick Beltrao
George Souza	2b. Tony Alves
Abdul Omar	3b. Spotty Pereira
Dave Leonard	ss. Lino Gosano
Ali	cf. Zinho Gosano
Stan Leonard	c. Bertie Marques
Jim Hussain	cf. Caco Marques

RECREO

Madeen Arculli	Jackie Koroza
Tarzan Ismail	Mike Mendonca
Jon Bonar	Joe Bonar
Jack Garcia	Toto Pate

UMPING

Doc Molten—Plate.
Ernie Hoarther—First and second base.
Painton Thomas—Third base.

POLICE SEEK FIRST TITLE

The respective League records of the two teams which will meet in the play-off on Saturday for the Junior Cricket League title are something of a contrast. Whereas Police have never secured premier honours, I.R.C. have won the championship on no fewer than six occasions since the inception of the Junior League, 19 years ago. Their successes were recorded in the seasons 1922/3, 1926/7, 1930/1, 1931/2, 1933/4 and 1935/6.

POLICE BETTER BALANCED ELEVEN

(By "ADREM")

Police, in recent seasons nearly always up with the leaders, have had a very successful season, which a win over I.R.C. in the play-off next Saturday would make the most successful in the history of the club.

For it is a fact, albeit somewhat surprising, that Police have never won the championship.

In my recollection, their weak link has always been their batting, and they have usually, since the days of C. F. Alexander, been carried by one or two stalwarts who performed prodigious feats with both bat and ball.

This season, however, they have proved particularly well-balanced, with the batting somewhat better than the bowling. Unlike I.R.C., they failed to total a hundred only once, and on that occasion they lost to their opponents of next Saturday by three wickets.

POPE'S FINE BATTING Their best performance with the bat was against Craigengower, when, thanks to an innings of 94 by their skipper, C. Pope, they ran up a total of 188 for 6 dec. Pope has been their most successful batsman, his scores being—27 against Recreo; 7 against Army; 31 against University; 45 out of 88 against I.R.C.; 20 against C.C.C.; 49 against K.C.C.; 94 against R.C.C.

Pope also bore the brunt of the bowling, although he met with less success than at any time since his arrival here. J. Lewis, a left-hander, considered by many the finest bowler in Second Division, did not bear out his early promise, and although he did reasonably well, his successes were not by any means startling except in the last match, against Craigengower, when he was unplayable when taking 6 for 13 in 7.5 overs.

Dunlopovsky improved out of all recognition as a bowler, turning the ball sharply from leg with an occasional wrong 'un. He took 20 wickets at a cost of only 7.88 apiece.

LOBE TWO BEST MEN It is particularly unfortunate for Police that two of their best men, P. H. Loughlin and F. Forrest, have left the Colony in the course of the last fortnight, but, with a week's respite, it is probable that B. C. Fay will be able to play, while it is also possible that Stephens' recent injury will have made sufficient progress to enable him to turn out again.

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Police vs U.C.	118	for 9, drew with Army, 100 for 8 dec.
Police vs R.C.C.	104	for 8 dec, beat University, 104, by 2 runs
Police vs K.C.C.	88	for 3 wickets
Police vs Army	84	for 9, beat C.C.C., 87, by 7 wickets
Police vs Recreo	132	for 9 dec, by 2 wickets
Police vs R.A.F.	90	for 7 wickets
Police vs C.C.C.	88	for 6 dec, beat C.C.C., 88, by 12 runs

Police scored 1,104 runs for 56 wickets, giving an average of 19.73 against their opponents' 810 for 78 wickets, an average of 10.38 per wicket.

BATTING

P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
C. Pope	1	0	0	39.20
W. L. Clarke	1	0	0	22.29
J. L. Stephens	1	0	0	18.29
H. Dunlopovsky	1	0	0	17.53
P. H. Loughlin	1	0	0	15.29
T. R. Hunter	1	0	0	14.50
A. E. Caray	1	0	0	13.43

Following also batted—A. Kirby (7, 8, 4, 6, 9), F. Forrest (12, 4, 12, 5, 4, 0), J. Lewis (5, 0, 9, 0, 0, 1), A. Estail (4, 0, 1, 2, 1), F. Fay (0), A. Aiken (0, 0), B. C. Fay (0).

Following held catches—P. H. Loughlin (4), C. Pope (4), A. E. Caray (4), J. L. Stephens (3), W. L. Clarke, M. Dunlopovsky, F. Forrest, J. Lewis, A. Estail, B. C. Fay.

A. Kirby stumped two batsmen.

HOCKEY OFF

The Hockey Association's annual six-side tournament, which should have been held this afternoon, has been postponed until next Sunday.

St. Andrew's Club seven-side hockey tournament, scheduled to be played yesterday, will be held next Saturday.

NEXT WEEK FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE CRICKET AVERAGES

By "ADREM"

THE four First Division League cricket clubs which completed their League fixtures have already been reviewed in "The China Mail" or "The Sunday Herald," and I therefore give here the complete batting and bowling figures for Craigengower, Army and Civil Service.

Chief point of interest lies in the records of some of the Colony's leading cricketers. In the batting, J. E. Richardson, of Civil Service, who in all matches scored over 1000 runs in the course of the season, returns a League average of only 5.251.

Among the bowlers, F. R. Zimmern, who opens Craigengower's attack, took only three wickets at a cost of 58.67 each!

BATTING

P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
R. H. Grimthorpe (C.S.C.C.)	2	1	0	59.63
Major Webb (Army)	3	2	0	57.50
Capt. Gross (Army)	4	1	0	50.33
W. H. Collado (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	28.75
F. R. Zimmern (C.S.C.C.)	5	0	0	28.20
K. P. Lim (C.S.C.C.)	5	1	0	25.00
A. R. H. Esmail (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	0	22.75
Sgt. Denyer (Army)	5	0	0	22.60
E. Zimmern (C.S.C.C.)	5	0	0	19.00
M. McMillan (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	0	17.00
Capt. Skipwith (Army)	5	0	0	16.20

BOWLING

P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
L. Cpl. Shaw, Army	(7, 0)	0	0	20.00
Capt. Whatman, Army	(2)	0	0	20.00
Capt. Holmes, Army	(0, 7, 0)	0	0	20.00
Army	(0)	0	0	20.00
Capt. Blount, Army	(0)	0	0	20.00
W. H. Collado (C.S.C.C.)	(17, 2, 3, 0)	1	0	20.00
Souza, C.C.C.	(6, 17, 10, 3)	1	0	20.00
C.C.C.	(18)	0	0	20.00
A. K. Ismail, C.C.C.	(0, 1, 6, 0, 21)	1	0	20.00
L. Youngs, C.C.C.	(4)	0	0	20.00
J. E. Richardson, C.S.C.C.	(4, 11, 6, 0)	0	0	20.00
T. V. N. Fortescue, C.S.C.C.	(7)	0	0	20.00
D. J. Halliday, C.S.C.C.	(20, 6, 0, 0)	0	0	20.00
J. Darrow, C.S.C.C.	(1, 0, 0)	0	0	20.00
F. E. Lawrence, C.S.C.C.	(0, 8, 0)	0	0	20.00
R. J. Fenlon, C.S.C.C.	(0, 1, 1)	0	0	20.00
K. J. Attwell, C.S.C.C.	(11, 0)	0	0	20.00
D. Amell, C.S.C.C.	(3)	0	0	20.00

Following also bowled—M. S. Green, Army, (5-0-22-1); L. Cpl. Shaw, Army, (5-0-23-0); Capt. Skipwith, Army, (5-0-10-0); Capt. Holmes, Army, (5-0-10-0); F. R. Zimmern, C.C.C., (15-3-31-1); A. J. Hulse, C.C.C., (5-0-30-0); D. Souza, C.C.C., (8-0-43-1); J. E. Richardson, C.S.C.C., (1-0-14-0).



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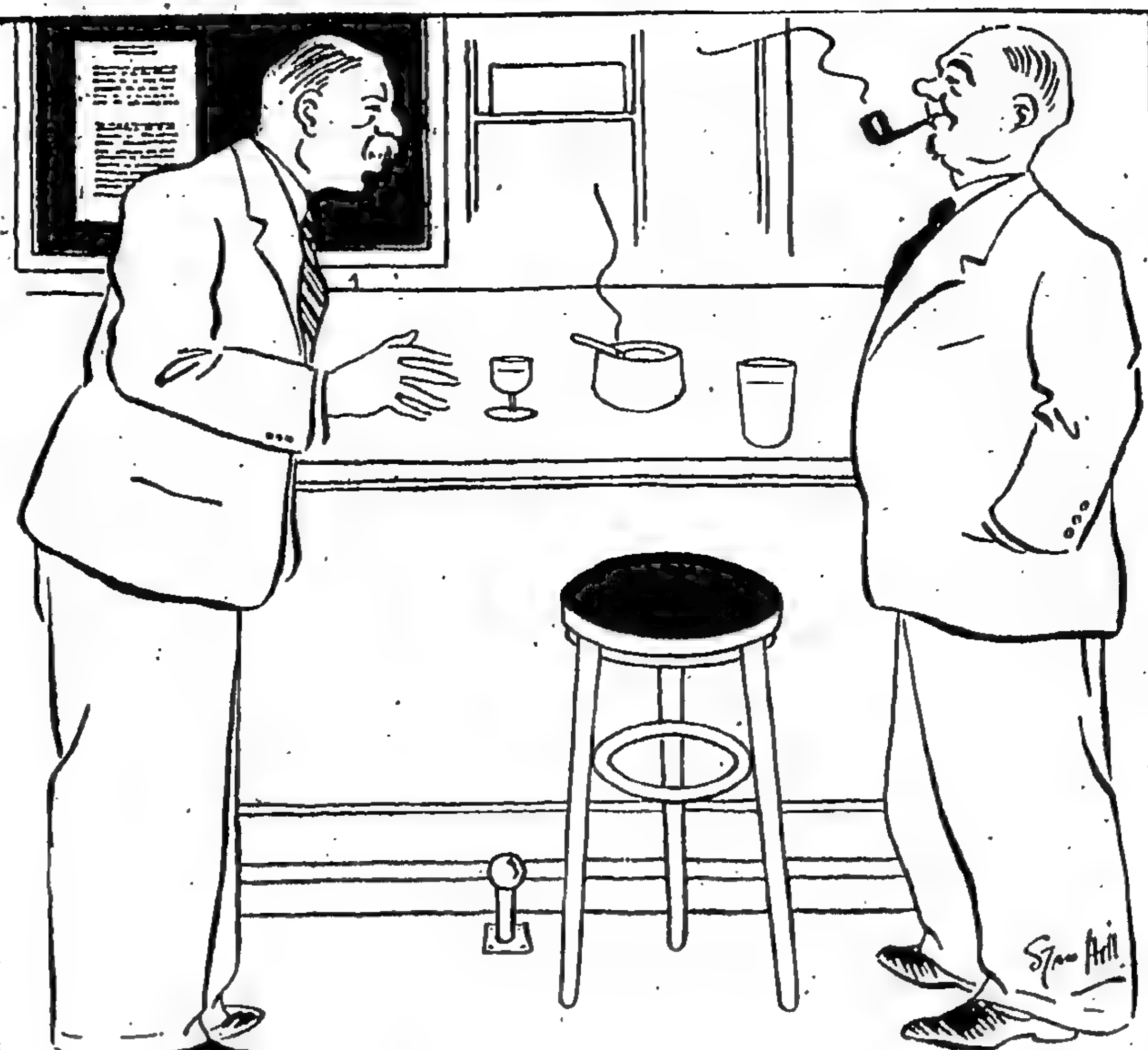
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—A Light Concert by De Groot and His Orchestra with Nan Maryska (Soprano).
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Old Spanish Song (Aubert)...Les Millions D'Arlequin—Serenade (Drigo)...De Groot & His Orch.

The Song of Songs (Moyse); La Violetta (Alm 'City Lights')...De Groot & His Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Operatic Duets.
Swear in the Heat (from 'La Forza Del Destino'—Verdi): Ah Mimi! False Orie! (from 'La Boheme'—Puccini)...Benamino Gigli (Tenor) and Giuseppe De Luca (Baritone) with Orchestra.
Close To You (Andrea Chenier—Giordano); Our Death (Andrea Chenier—Giordano)...Margaret Sheridan (Soprano) and Aureliano Perille (Tenor) with Orchestra.
2.02 p.m.—Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque. London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.
2.30 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

1. Toccata for the Flutes (Stanley)...J. R. M. Smith at the Organ.
2. (a) He shall feed his flock (Handel); (b) What Tho' I trace (Solomon)...Helen Lockhart with Organ.
3. Fantasia and Fugue in G Minor (Bach)...J. R. M. Smith at the Organ.
4. To living waters (Cantata 112—Bach)...Helen Lockhart with Organ.
5. (a) Introduction to Act III "Die Meistersinger" (Wagner); (b) Andante from String Quartette (Tchaikowsky)...J. R. M. Smith at the Organ.
6. (a) Largo—Slumber, dear Maid (Handel); (b) Creation's Hymn (Beethoven); (c) The Little Sandman (Brahms)...Helen Lockhart with Organ.
8.45 p.m.—Kilenny (Piano) playing Chopin's Grand Studies, Op. 10. Etude No. 3 in E major. Etude No. 8 in F major. Etude No. 4 in C sharp minor. Etude No. 5 in G flat major ("Black key"). Etude No. 6 in E flat minor. Etude No. 10 in A flat major. Etude No. 12 in C minor ("Revolutionary").
9.02 p.m.—List—"Mefisto" Waltz No. 1. Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Despatch from the Front".
9.45 p.m.—Violin Solos by Yehudi Menuhin.
Zapatendo, Op. 23 (Sarasate)...with Piano, accomp. by Marcel Gazelle.
Sarabande and Tambourin (Sarasate)...with Piano accomp. by Louis Persinger.
Caprice in G Minor, Op. 1, No. 6 (Paganini—Encesco)...with Piano accomp. by Georges Enesco.
Romance in A Major, Op. 94, No. 2 (Schumann)...with Piano accomp. by Ferguson Webster.
10.02 p.m.—Excerpts from Handel's "Messiah".
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10.15 p.m.—Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.
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In The Limelight

By H. J. E. R.

PATRICK H. WONG accomplished the coveted badminton "treble" on Wednesday last when he and Miss W. Chuen won the Colony Mixed Doubles Championship and, little more than an hour later, he and C. Au won the Colony Men's Doubles Championship—last Monday Wong won the Colony Singles Championship when he beat C. Au after three well-matched games.

This feat has been accomplished before, twice in succession (1937 and 1938) seasons, but, for all that, it is safe to say that Wong is the best badminton player ever to have played in Hong Kong and it was indeed unfortunate that it was not to be until examinations during the championships just concluded as a singles match between him and Wong had always produced a really high standard, with very little to choose between the two players.

FROM Kuala Lumpur, the State of Selangor, Wong took up badminton when at the Methodist Boys' School. Badminton is played in most schools in the Federated Malay States, and the organized State Inter-School Leagues provide very keen struggles and a very fair standard of play. He showed a natural aptitude for the game and after only a few months reached the final of the school championship, only to lose as the result of his inexperience. In 1931 he was captain of the team, honours which he also won in 1932, while he had the distinction of playing in the Senior Party League, for the United Bunnings Party (partly in used in Malaysia instead of club), when still at school. This League was based on two singles and three doubles matches, and Wong won both the singles and doubles titles in 1932. He transferred to Lok's Badminton Party, for whom he again played in the League, and it was in this year that he first entered the State Championships. In the doubles, in which, with Cheung Chun-lun, he reached the final, only to be beaten by A. S. Samson, Home, and May Chung-king. A second tournament that year, however, gave him his first major title. The annual capital show was held in the Federal capital, and in the long list of festivities was included a badminton tournament, to be decided within one day. Entering with Yeung Ah-wei in the doubles, and facing the possibility of six matches (if the best of three games—they commenced at 9 a.m. and concluded at 6 p.m.)—he went through to the final and won his first senior title.

IN 1933 he left school and Kuala Lumpur and came to Hong Kong, though he spent quite a lot of time in Canton, where, due to lack of facilities, he was forced to give up the game until the 1935-36 season, after the one and only Interport game against Shanghai. Hong Kong on a permanent basis and with the valuable aid of C. E. Chung, F. Koh and T. J. Ong, all Chinese players, he won the "Y" team title, which was entered in the Division of the League. Following their first match, however—they beat St. Andrew's 2-0—it was discovered that they had been much too modest, and, rather than accept a series of close games, they promptly decided to appeal for withdrawal from "B" Division and entry to "A" Division. It was indeed a peculiar request, but the Association were far-sighted enough to agree, and Chinese "Y" ended their "A" Division fixtures third to University and Recreio.

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Winner of three major badminton titles, Patrick H. Wong, the new Colony badminton champion, receiving one of his prizes from Mrs. J. R. Higga last Wednesday night. (Fotofix).

Early Aptitude Wong was born in 1912, while he had the distinction of playing in the Senior Party League, for the United Bunnings Party (partly in used in Malaysia instead of club), when still at school. This League was based on two singles and three doubles matches, and Wong won both the singles and doubles titles in 1932. He transferred to Lok's Badminton Party, for whom he again played in the League, and it was in this year that he first entered the State Championships. In the doubles, in which, with Cheung Chun-lun, he reached the final, only to be beaten by A. S. Samson, Home, and May Chung-king. A second tournament that year, however, gave him his first major title. The annual capital show was held in the Federal capital, and in the long list of festivities was included a badminton tournament, to be decided within one day. Entering with Yeung Ah-wei in the doubles, and facing the possibility of six matches (if the best of three games—they commenced at 9 a.m. and concluded at 6 p.m.)—he went through to the final and won his first senior title.

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Police Recreation Club, however, played a friendly four-rink game against Craigengower and Hong Kong Cricket Club members enjoyed a roll-up.

At home, Police Recreation Club were beaten by 24 shots by Craigengower Cricket Club in a friendly lawn bowls match.

Little can be said regarding the merits of the Royals' players as the Kowloon opposition was too weak to offer serious resistance. Manson, in goal, knew the rudiments of goal-keeping, but was not called on to make any brilliant saves, although he had been between the sticks at the start. It is doubtful whether he performed a prodigious amount of work and was alone responsible for keeping the score down to six.

Maxwell and Dawes worked hard throughout but were never able to get the ball away from their own penalty area and help the forwards. Dawes made many splendid recoveries and easily kept Fleming and Holden in check.

WEAK ATTACK The forwards lacked everything that makes up a successful attacking unit—combination was never seen, and with the inside men constantly helping the defence, it was left to the individual play of Santos and White to try and score. This forward line did well in the opening stages against only nine men and no goalkeeper, but once the full Royals' team were on the field they lost all semblance of a forward line, and the forwards were reduced to a few long-range kicking. Jorge on the right received very few passes, but showed a good turn of speed and might have proved effective with a little help from the remainder of the forwards.

Jackson was again off form and was rarely seen in attack. Santos, on the other hand, was very active in the field waiting for the ball, which, unfortunately for him, rarely arrived, but even when in possession he did not look at all confident and was easily robbed. Santos, as usual, was the only dangerous forward on the field, and his tricky moves very often had the Royals' defence on the wrong foot. He tried hard to keep the forwards moving, but White was very slow on his left and spoiled most openings.

KOWLOON TWO-UP Kowloon took the lead from a good centre Silva scored. Almost immediately after Dawes sent in a terrific drive from 30 yards that struck the crossbar and rebounded into the net.

The opening few minutes of the second half were hectic for the Kowloon defence as the Royals attacked from all angles and netted twice in five minutes. Santos from the kick off hit the crossbar in a hard drive that hit a defender and bounced into the net. Almost immediately after Gilroy took the ball up the wing and passed to Santos, who was presented with an open goal and only had to tap the ball into the empty net. The Royals then forced a corner, and from the kick the ball grazed along the side of the crossbar, evaded the goalkeeper's hands and dropped into Santos' head and went from there into the net. For the next few minutes the game developed into a battle between Hosack and Kowloon. The Royals' fourth goal was presented to them by Castro, who, after saving a shot from Santos, sent the ball straight back onto the centre forward's head and he nodded it into the net. Gordon sent in a shot soon after that finished up in the corner of the net. After this, however, the Kowloon forwards tried hard to score and White had very bad luck with a drive that just missed the upright with Manson well beaten. Gilroy then scored up the wing and scored for Royals, but just before the final whistle Santos received a grand pass from Gordon, and after beating Neavins and Hosack, sent in a hard shot from 20 yards that completely beat Manson.

FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sou' China "A"	22	13	4	5	25	29	28
Eastern	20	10	3	7	42	35	23
Sou' China "B"	10	5	2	3	15	12	12
Royal Navy	19	8	2	9	35	22	17
Royal Scots	19	7	5	7	33	19	16
Kowloon	20	2	0	18	42	48	4
Midsex	20	4	10	6	41	48	11
Club	20	2	11	34	49	18	8
St. Joseph's	20	5	5	10	30	41	13
Police	20	5	10	25	47	19	15

Total: 218 62 34 92 442 218

The only outstanding game—Navy v Royal Scots—is understood to be played on Wednesday at Causeway Bay.

RECREIO VOLUNTEERS TO PLAY REST

Following have been selected to play in the intra-club bowls match at Club de Recreio today between "Volunteers" and "The Rest":

VOLUNTEERS: J. A. Remedios, C. A. Marques, A. F. Noronha, H. A. Alves (Skip)

THE REST: H. R. Pina, C. M. S. Alves, E. Marques, J. E. Noronha (Skip)

Bras Alves: J. A. Luz, A. Rozario, J. A. Lopes, C. A. Lopes, F. X. Soares (Skip)

Fred Xavier: J. D. Remedios, E. L. Cunha, A. M. Xavier, C. G. Silva (Skip)

M. N. Silva: P. M. N. Silva, M. Mendonca, J. C. Remedios, F. X. Silva (Skip)

Alarcon: M. Alarcon, D. F. Lopes, C. M. Silva, A. M. Rodrigues, B. Basto (Skip)

C. Alves: D. C. Alves, J. Fonseca, H. A. Brito, F. V. Ribeiro (Skip)

F. Machado: F. Machado, C. H. Basto, O. P. Remedios, J. J. Basto (Skip)

INDOOR BOWLS

Two further matches in the second Singles Handicap Indoor Bowling competition have been played. On Friday Gunner G. Hanley, R.A., beat L. Cpl. J. Gracie, Royal Scots, by 57 pins, Hanley's handicap being plus 40 and Gracie's plus 20, and yesterday Sig. Hewer, (-40), of Royal Signals, beat S. Golden (+50) by 18 pins.

The "Sam White" bowls match, between Club de Recreio and Kowloon Bowling Green Club, which was to have been played yesterday, has been postponed until next Sunday.

Members of Kowloon Bowling Green Club have donated a sum of \$35.00 to the British Red Cross Society.

OPENING BOWLS FIXTURES

Following are the fixtures for the opening of the Lawn Bowls League next Saturday, the first named club being at home:

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about a strange jungle search for a god. . . .

CHIKITI LOBO BWANGA,
the Sacred One of the
Forest, dragged at his chain
with cunning persistence.

He was the sacred colobumba monkey of the tribe, whose parents were said to be a gorilla and a chimpanzee. His species was so rare that none of the tribe had ever seen another of his kind.

All day long he sat tethered to a post outside the chief witch doctor's hut, scratching and whimpering like an impatient child. Sometimes, on special occasions when there was a great celebration with much dancing and feasting, men came dressed in dark loincloths and bead neck and arm ornaments and presented him with dishes of specially prepared food.

If he grew impatient and kicked the dishes away or threw the food in the donors' faces, strange things happened to the men. They were dragged across the baked earth by the feet and pierced to death by the assegais of the evil lurking in them that had offended the Sacred One.

To-day the village of mud huts was almost deserted. The men and women and children had gone into the jungle to see the huge man-eating tiger that had been slain in the new elephant pit by the spear of one of the warriors.

CHIKITI whined and dragged at his chain. Then he grew angry and stamped his feet on the ground. But soon he became artful and tugged with all his might, keeping silent except for his short, thick breathing.

At last the chain tore from the stake. He bounded away from the witch doctor's hut with the chain trailing behind him. He had reached the verge of the village when he saw three warriors striding towards him. They were young and slim, naked except for girdles and headresses of feathers. Before he could hide they had spotted him.

He turned and darted back towards the centre of the village. Here he saw a small hut with an open doorway. This belonged to the medicine man.

Outside the hut there were the ashes of a sacred fire on which poison had been brewing a little while before. On a mound of skins within the hut rested a shallow dish of a thick gelatinous liquid in which the points of tiny bamboo grass-bound arrows were soaking. These were the arrows for the blowguns of the warriors.

Chikiti picked up a handful of the arrows and threw them at the first warrior who bounded through the doorway. The warrior staggered back with a look of horror on his face. His companions set up a great howling outside the hut.

Chikiti was enjoying himself now. He began to play with one of the tiny arrows. Then he scratched himself with the point. It was a delicious sensation.

Before long he felt a tiny prick as if he had been stung by an insect. He ignored this and went on playing with the arrow. Soon his breast where he had scratched with the arrow-point began to burn. He became giddy.

Then his body chilled, with a speed that astonished him. His limbs grew cramped and a pain tore through every artery. When the fearful blinding pain reached its highest intensity he lay exhausted on his back, his face twisted up with torture, his lips twitching, froth coming from his mouth. In that position Chikiti Lobo Bwanga, the Sacred One of the Forest, died.

When the medicine man returned to the hut and discovered the dead Chikiti a loud cry of sorrow arose from the people who had been rejoicing at the slaying of the man-eating tiger.

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"O people of the Libiki," he said in his sonorous tones. "I, Impigini Daka, the Great of Heart, the Hunter of Hunters, the Sire of Six Score Children, will give in marriage my favourite daughter, Tanaka, who is so beautiful that all men who look upon her are dazzled, to the warrior who will go far into the forest and bring back unharmed such a god as the Sacred One."

"But, first, there shall be a great test of prowess. And the warrior who is supreme in that test shall go alone into the forest on this quest."

The day for the test was fixed. Since early morning the young men of the village, their faces and bodies streaked with white and red clay, threw spears and shot arrows with blowguns.

Towards the close of the day two men stood alone in the clearing. They were Lumbulu and Osaki, tall and slender, their bodies taut with straining sinews, their eyes bright and clear.

"Let there be a trial of wrestling to decide!" the witch doctors called out.

It was agreed that the two men should discard all weapons and wrestle in the clearing. They took off their necklaces and stood facing one another, like pillars of ebony. They gripped each other round the waist and strained one against the other without budging an inch.

Lumbulu bent low and tried to push his shoulder blade into Osaki's ribs. But Osaki was wise in the art of wrestling. He thrust his left arm under the chin of the stooping Lumbulu and with a quick upward and outward jerk of his arm and an inward jerk of his right arm at Lumbulu's waist he sent his rival sprawling to the grass.

Lumbulu began to realise that his anger was his own worst enemy. He threw his arms around the slim body, pinning his adversary so that he was helpless. Very gradually he forced Osaki backwards towards a tree. He had a plan to hurl Osaki against the trunk of the tree and knock him senseless.

Soon he was within easy reach of the tree. He tautened his limbs and crouched his shoulders for one last mighty effort. Then he shot Osaki from his grasp as if the slim, smooth body were a missile. Osaki's head struck the tree with a dull thud. The force of the blow shook the thin-stemmed tree so that the leaves rustled. Osaki groaned and sank to a sitting posture at the foot of the trunk.

Lumbulu stood back, the light of triumph in his eyes, waiting for the exclamations of the people. But the people were silent. They were staring with fear-drenched eyes at a long brown object swinging from the tree. This was a python, which had been disturbed in its sleep by the jerk of Osaki's body against the thin trunk.

The snake dropped from the tree to his body, its great weight flattening Lumbulu to the ground. In a few moments it had encircled him, stifling his shrieks of agony with its thick, rubbery body. The watching people heard his dying

moans and the crush of his bones without moving an inch to help him.

They dared not go to his assistance. It was the Ju-Ju gods who had acted to show their displeasure of the arrogant Lumbulu. The modest Osaki was obviously the choice of the gods.

The witch doctors rushed to Osaki and dragged him clear of the tree. They carried him to the hut of the medicine man and revived him with palm wine. Then they placed lotions in the wound in his head and rolled him in skins.

In the morning he was as fit and as active as ever. He was ready to go forth and seek a successor to Chikiti Lobo Bwanga, the Sacred One of the Forest.

The people accompanied him a little way into the jungle. Then they left him. He was alone with the huge trees and the chattering parrots. Monkeys leaped along from tree to tree, hurrying nuts at him as if mocking him. He saw the fresh spoor of a lion and grew terrified.

Towards dusk the black-gold form of a leopard flashed past him in pursuit of a screeching wild pig. He ran for his life. Every stick set his heart bounding in case it should prove to be a poisonous snake.

When darkness came he crouched in the undergrowth in an agony of fear. He heard the weird laughter of hyenas around him. But he was more afraid even of the evil spirits that lurked in the gloom than of the beasts of prey.

Presently he heard a strange shuffling sound behind him. His blood seemed to freeze. Then he saw two eyes near him that seemed at first to belong to a leopard. He clutched his spear and trembled, waiting for the final spring, too paralysed with fear to act.

A low laugh reached him, and he

heard a soft voice uttering his name. "Osaki!" It was the voice of his beloved, Amandilla.

SUDDENLY all fear left him. He forgot the beasts of prey, the evil spirits lurking in the darkness. He rushed to Amandilla and clutched her in his arms. "Amandilla! Amandilla!" he cried out. "What are you doing here in the forest?" "I tracked you down, my lover," she told him. "I followed your tracks as I'd follow the spoor of a lion."

"You have tracked no lion, Amandilla," he said. "I was cowering in fear when you came. I have no heart. My muscles are strings and my blood is water."

"You will be my man, Osaki," she answered him, "and I will be your woman. And we will travel far, forgetting this foolish quest."

"What words are these?" Osaki exclaimed. "Would you have me anger the gods? I must find the Sacred One of the Forest or perish."

"If you go on with the search you will perish," she reasoned. "For such creatures are rare. And if you go back to the village without one you will die. So we will go on, you and I, and I will be a wife to you and bear you children. Let that be your quest."

"But we will become outcasts from the tribe!" he objected. "We will never see our people again!"

"We will see each other and our children, my lover. And in time we may meet with other outcasts such as ourselves and start a new tribe. The tribe of Osaki."

"THE tribe of the Craven," he said. "The tribe of the man with water for blood!"

"You are brave now," she pointed out. "You fear no living thing this moment because there is joy in your heart. A man alone with sadness in his heart is a man full of fear. Tomorrow we will go on and find a greater god than the Sacred One of the Forest—the god of contentment. And if we are to die, then we will die together, Osaki."

In the darkness Osaki felt the touch of her hands to his, giving him strength. He knew then that she was right, that now he was no coward, that henceforth he would know no fear, that with her by his side he would be a pillar of strength, a mighty warrior, a noble friend, and a dauntless foe, the proud founder of a line of men of courage and women of beauty.

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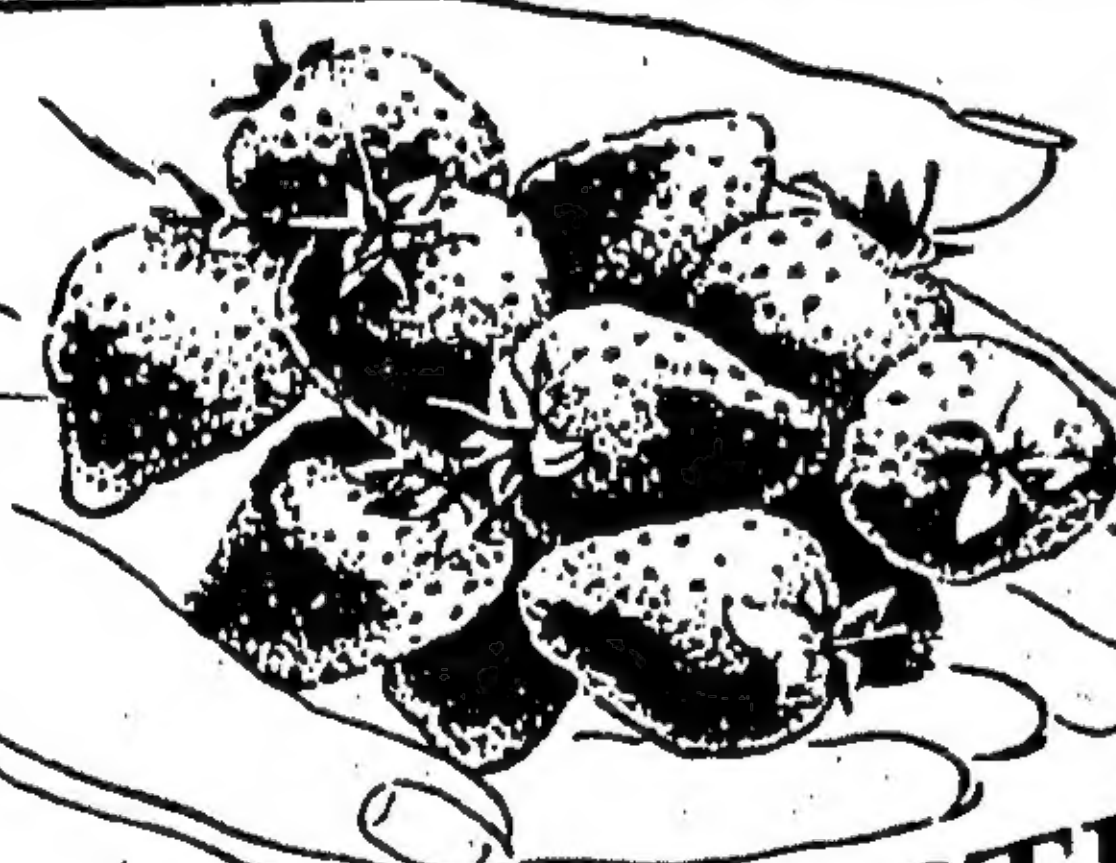
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Lying between France, Germany and Italy, the Swiss, who are a federation of three personalities, have decided that they will not take sides. But as a neutral, the nation is determined to resist as heroically as the Flims any effort of any belligerent to force passage through a country which lies invitingly at the exposed ends of both the Maginot and the Siegfried Lines.

Accordingly, the Swiss Federal Government ordered its people, six months before the war, to stock the necessary foodstuffs and prepare for the nation which is now compulsory. More important still, Bern began, exactly ten minutes before the invasion of Poland, to mobilise the Swiss army, which as a conscript People's Army is probably the most democratic in the world.

In less than twenty-four hours

half a million men garbed in field grey with flat pancake helmets, stood under arms along the whole of the Swiss frontier—a thin line of men holding a front three times as long as the fortified areas across which the Germans and the French stare at each other in expectant boredom. In the 7 months since September 1st some of these men have been sent back to their farms and factories, the army falling at one period of the winter to as few as 200,000 men. But now nearly half a million men are in uniform again, called back to await the possibilities which come with good weather.

The population of Switzerland is only 4,200,000, so that half the available manpower is mobilised. This is comparable to fifteen million Americans being withdrawn in peacetime from productive industries and being lumped with all the United States unemployed as men who consume much but produce nothing. This is a severe strain on the economic strength of the country, and in addition to the loss of its normal production the country is compelled to expend for its mobilisation and the armaments and fortifications programmes a sum which comes almost exactly to £250,000 a day.

No Division Of Opinion

How can the Swiss do it? The question is on the lips of every citizen, and the answer is that the country cannot afford such a drain. It means that, if this war goes on, ultimately the Swiss will lose a standard of living which has become the highest in the world. A country with no extremes of wealth or poverty, Switzerland, though devoid of either raw materials or colonies, has by sheer industry achieved the greatest per capita wealth of any country in Europe.

And though Switzerland must abandon that high standard of living or demobilise its men, there is no division of opinion whatever. The Swiss nation is going to keep its army mobilised on its frontiers because they are a shrewd people, and, as between losing a high standard of living or their national independence, the Swiss prefer to remain a free people. Being a shrewd people they know moreover that the only way to keep the belligerents from coming through Switzerland is to keep a well armed nation ready to fight inch by inch for every bit of Swiss soil. And this is what they are doing to-day. They are warning the belligerents that it will cost them too much in men and time to try to come through Switzerland.

But as a result, this neutral is already at war, and, with the taxes piling up, nobody knows better than

the Swiss about the high cost of Hitler. Here in Bern the Parliament is meeting, and most of the debate is devoted to exactly these problems of how to keep the army on the frontiers and yet keep those good Swiss Francs in the bank. The cry of the Members of Parliament has become "Economy! Economy!" but there is to be no scrimping on national defence.

As long as there is a possibility of an invasion of Switzerland, this little people will still be massing sturdy peasant soldiers in every mountain pass. There is no more peaceful country in Europe, but it is not a pacifist country, and through the whole of it to-day you can hear the tramp of marching men and the crash of cannon in reserved areas, as young men are taught to serve them.

The high cost of Hitler is bearing down on the Swiss as truly as upon the British and the French, but,

By
JOHN WHITAKER
well-known American
journalist

though they are mobilised like those belligerents and forced to spend £250,000 a day, the Swiss are strictly neutral. You can find nothing in the attitude of the Federal Government at Bern or in the Swiss newspapers to suggest that Der Fuehrer is a potential foe. Bern is even obliging where Berlin is concerned and a mere hint is enough to make the Swiss Government ban a book like Rauschning's conversations with Hitler ("Hitler Speaks"), while taken fortifications at least are extended along the French frontiers.

This formal attitude of rigid respect is not derived from the nature of the Swiss population, though that is overwhelmingly Germanic. German is spoken in sixteen of twenty-two cantons by nearly three million Swiss, while French is the language of only one million Swiss in five cantons, and Italian is spoken by scarcely more than two hundred and fifty thousand in a single canton. The attitude comes exclusively from the tradition of neutrality which has been the watchword of this country as long as it has been a country, so that the Swiss know how to keep their tempers cool and their mouths shut.

One Hundred Per Cent. Anti-Nazi

Watching the attitude of the Government at Bern, while reading the carefully discreet press, you would entirely misunderstand Swiss opinion. It is very nearly one hundred per cent. anti-Nazi and in no place can you discover that fact better than in Zurich. This city is so German that the Swiss say laughingly that Kaiser Wilhelm used to declare that no city in Germany was as German as Zurich with its gingerbread houses astride the canals and its rich burghers with many double chins at the back of the neck as any Hamburg merchant.

In Zurich to-day you can spot a Reich German in any restaurant and cafe merely from the malevolent way the Swiss eye him and the offensively polite attitude taken by the waiters. The Reich citizen also talks softly, for his High German grates on the ear of the people of this region, who speak only Swiss German now. An Austrian refugee explained that he was studying Swiss German two hours daily, because his normal German had involved him in embarrassing situations.

I asked the distinguished editor of a Zurich newspaper how he would analyse Swiss opinion. "It is very curious," he said, "but I think it is strikingly like the poll of sentiment in America. I would say that throughout the whole of Switzerland 85 per cent. of the people are pro-German. But there is this difference, that, while 15 per cent. in America are indifferent, that 15 per cent. in Switzerland is anti-Nazi. In short, I think that 99 per cent. of the people feel that there can be no peace, no security and no return to sound business conditions until Hitler is defeated."

Military Attitude

These startling percentages seem likely to your correspondent after some weeks now in the French and Italian as well as the German regions of Switzerland. I have yet to find an individual who is pro-German, while I have on every hand seen striking instances of personal sympathy for the Allies. I remember particularly two young officers of the Swiss Army who were on the French frontier in September. "There was a rumour,"

they said, "that the French might attempt to cross through our country in order to create a diversion to help the Poles. We marched into the lines, determined to fire if the French crossed our frontier, but we went forward with tears in our eyes and a feeling that if the French did cross it would mean a quick Allied victory over Germany, which would be better for us all—that is, for Europe and the world."

There was no similar feeling whatever in the November crisis, when the Swiss feared an invasion by the Germans. The difference is profound and it cannot be explained merely by the fact that the German maps show that Switzerland is to be included in a victorious Greater Germany. It is a different way of life. For no people is more democratic or capitalistic than the Swiss, and any final sympathy which remained for Hitler's Germany was exploded by the German pact with the communists.

Intervention Idea Preposterous

The only element which had some ideological sympathy with modern Germany—the "National Front"—dissolved itself voluntarily some weeks ago. This group comprised certain well-meaning industrialists, members of patriotic societies and professional conservatives, who were afraid of communism and had toward the totalitarian system the same attitude as Fritz Thyssen and that right-wing element in Germany which brought Hitler to power, only to be destroyed by him. But those individuals are disillusioned now by Hitler, and, with their own Switzerland standing under arms to-day, they too are afraid of invasion.

If the country is very nearly unanimous in its personal sympathies that does not mean that there is one chance in a thousand of Switzerland's intervening voluntarily in the war. The very idea strikes the Swiss as preposterous. That is the result of the tradition of neutrality, and it is because of this tradition that no one in Berlin can complain against the Swiss on any particular. Swiss sympathies are nearly 99 per cent. for the Allies, but the Swiss attitude toward the Germans is 100 per cent. neutral and correct.

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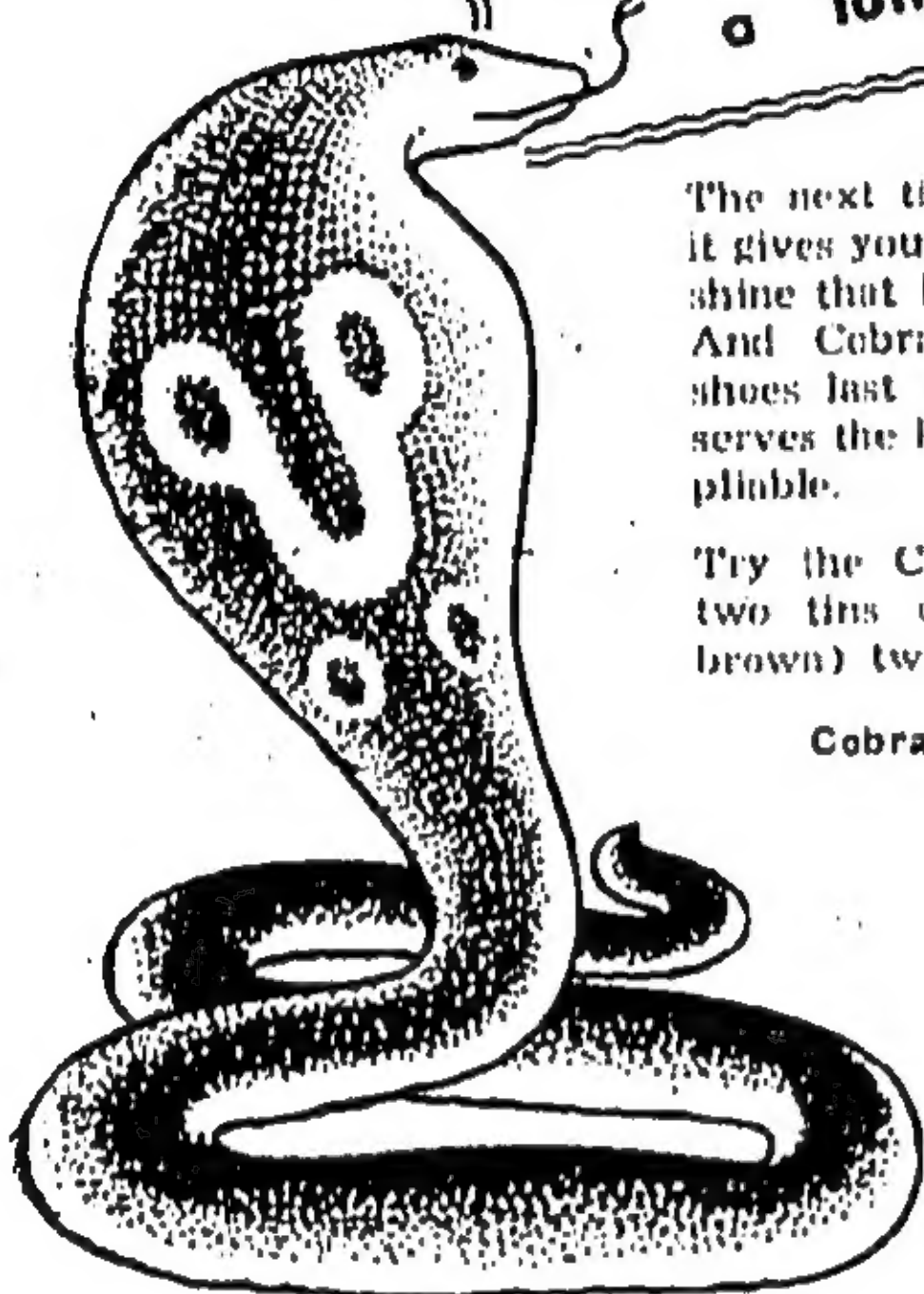
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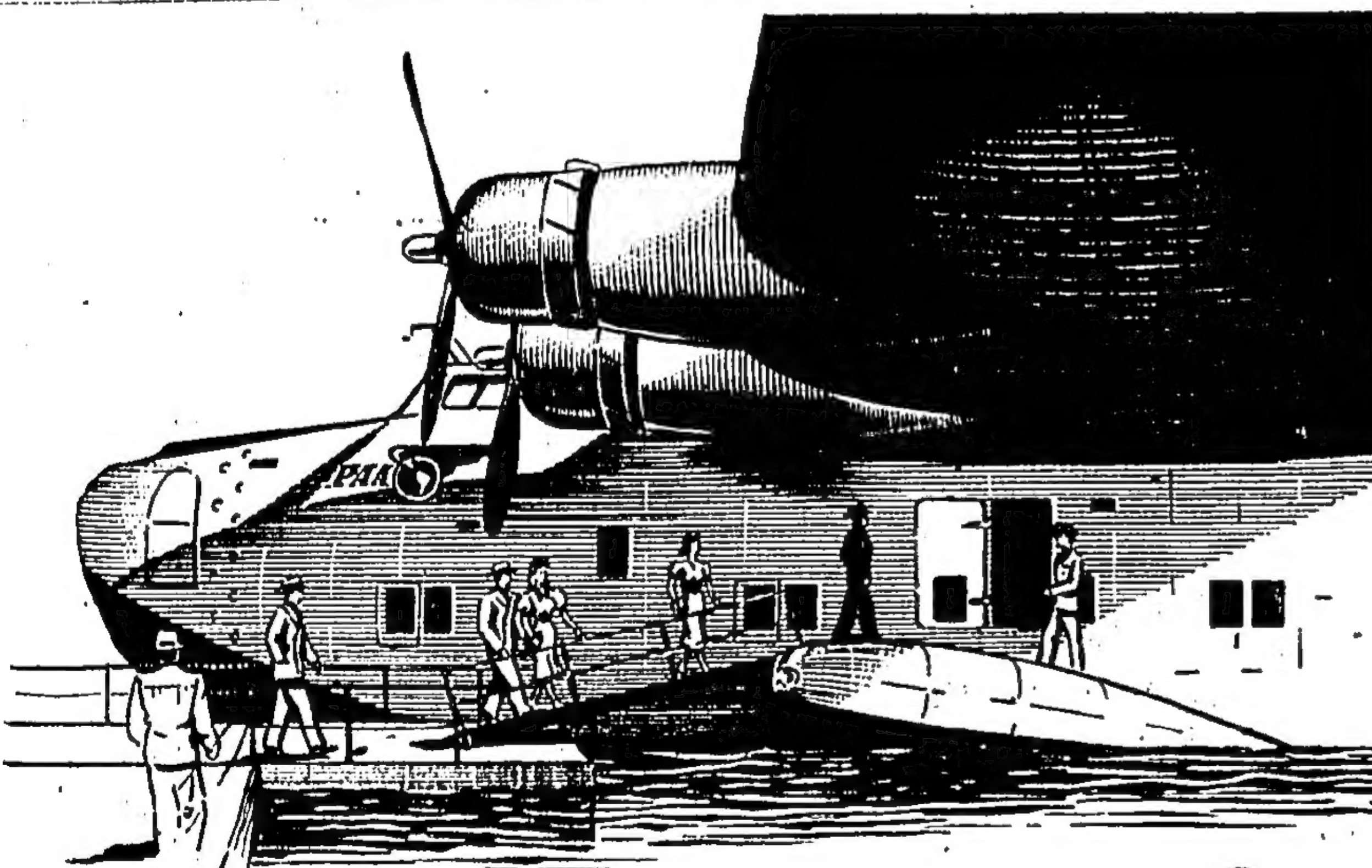
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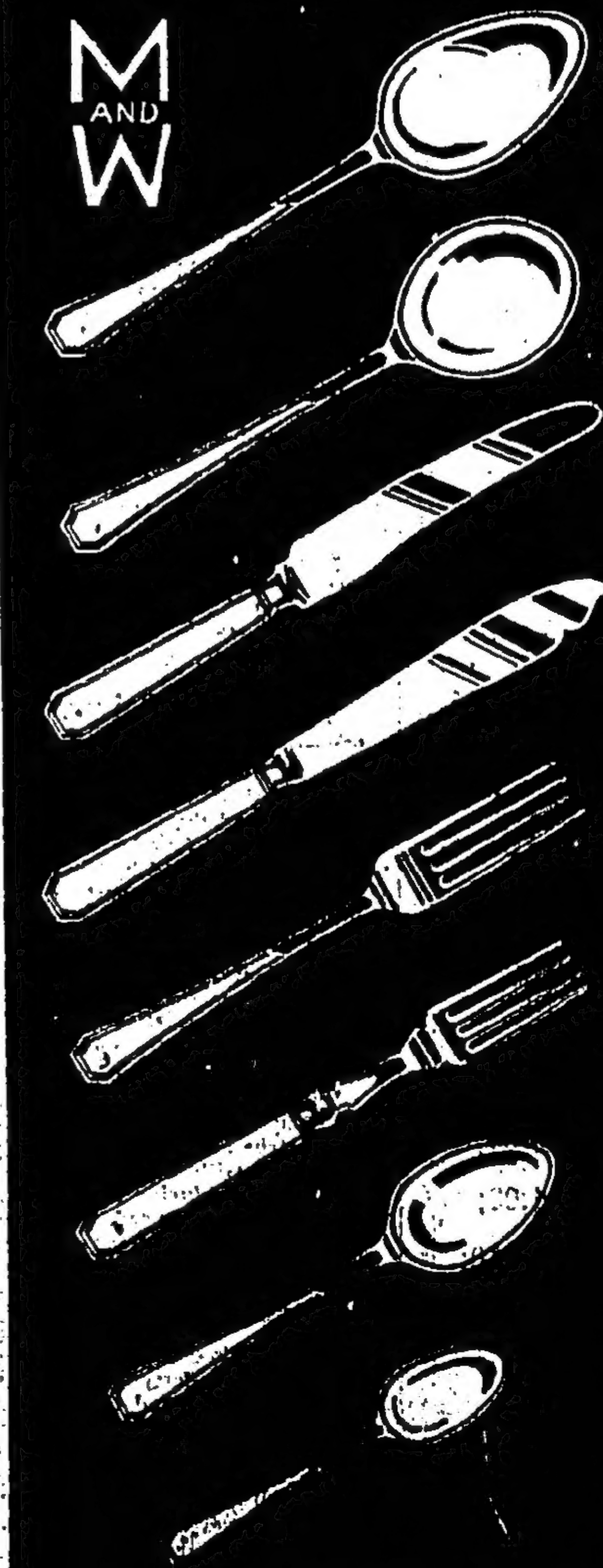
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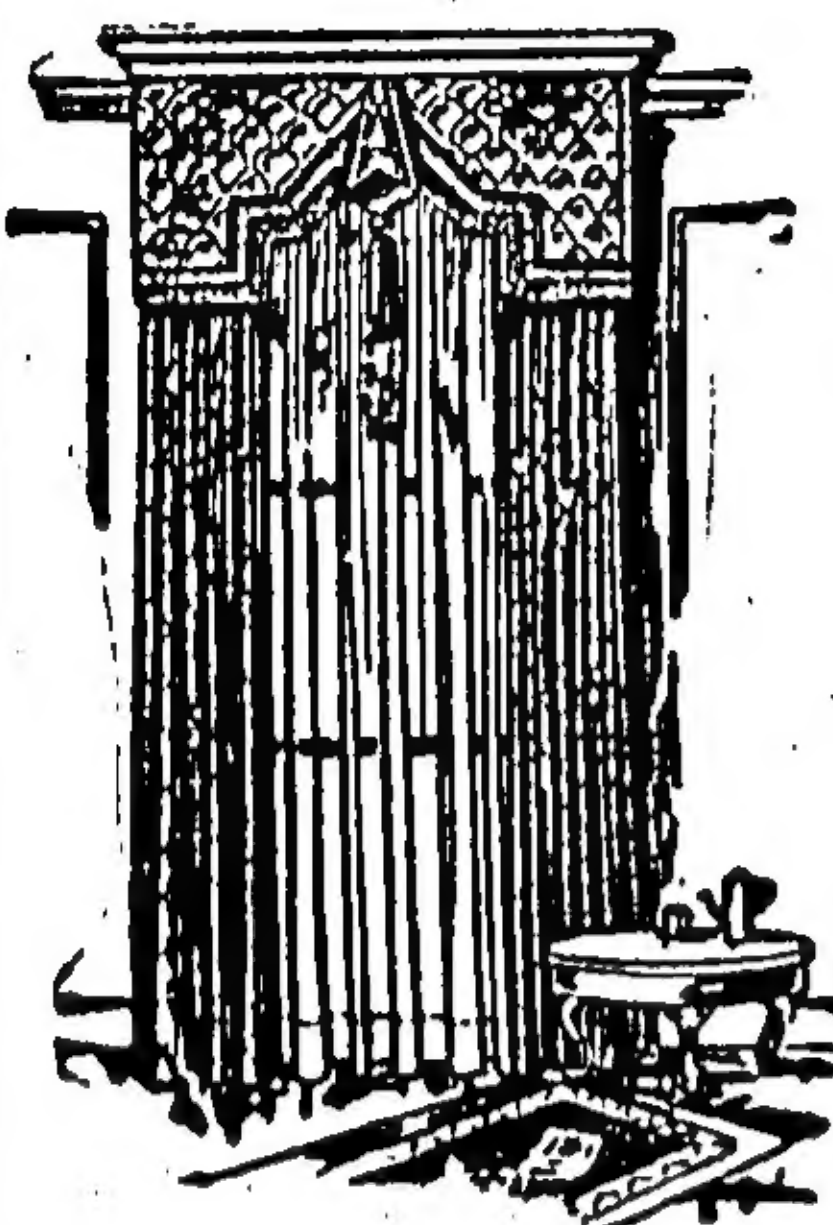
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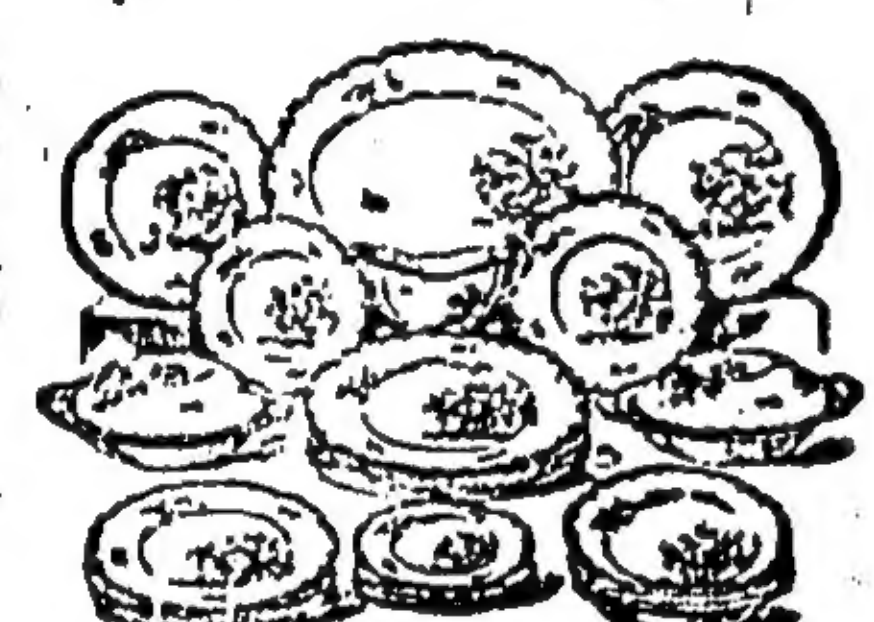
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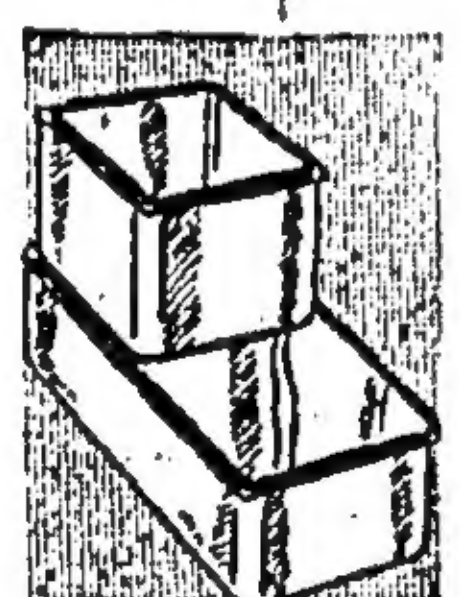


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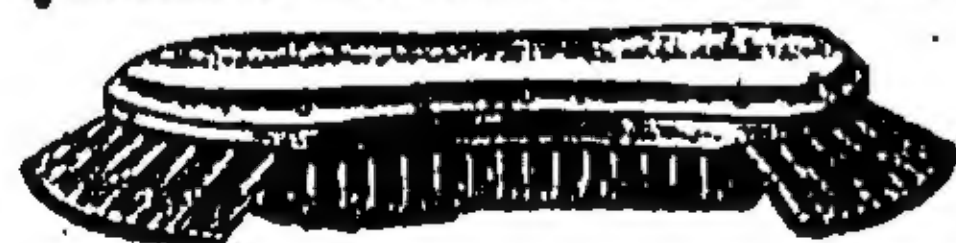
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"Thus, since the beginning of the year, the Allies have been striving with every means to involve new countries in the war."

Speaking of the declaration of war on Germany by the Allies, Ribbentrop said there was no reason for this step. The German nation had always insisted and made clear its desire to live in peace and friendship with the British and French nations.

To See It Through

"In the circumstances, however, the German nation accepted the challenge and is determined to see it through. The Allied plan to dismember the German nation and deprive it of political rights and economic possibilities will be resisted with all our power."

The smaller European countries were regarded as useful objectives by the Allies to extend the sphere of war and "hence a systematic campaign against the neutral system has been started."

"It was Winston Churchill who, on Jan. 21, by his speech against neutrality and neutrals, launched this campaign."

Since Mr. Churchill's speech all statements made by British or French spokesmen included demands to neutrals to participate in the struggle against Germany.

The War In Finland

In support of this argument Ribbentrop quoted speeches made in recent weeks by Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Oliver Stanley, Lord Halifax, Earl of Inverchanna, Mr. Reynaud, and Mr. Duff-Conner.

Ribbentrop then referred to Finland. He described the British and French statements about their readiness to give assistance to Finland, provided Norway and Sweden would consent to the passage of troops over their territory, as "a downright untruth."

The German Government had knowledge of a report sent by the Finnish Minister in Paris to his Government on March 12.

He reported that M. Daladier and Mr. Churchill had given him a definite assurance that following the Finnish appeal, British and French troops would immediately leave the ports where they were being held ready, in order to land in Norway. Norway and Sweden would only have been notified of this without the Government of either State being asked for its consent.

"On March 11 Mr. Churchill went to Paris by air in order to make a last-minute attempt to prevent the Russo-Finnish peace."

Fortuitous Seizures

"Documents seized by German troops in Norway establish further evidence of French and British plans to extend the war to the north."

"Documents found at Narvik prove that the British Secret Service had studied the best ways of landing along the whole Norwegian western coastline."

"These activities of the Secret Service were carried out despite the fact that the then Norwegian Government was secretly sympathizing with the plans of the Allies."

Ribbentrop then alleged that Mr. Churchill "carelessly revealed the true aims of Britain" at a conference with neutral press representatives during which the First Lord announced that war supplies must be stopped from reaching Germany.

Bouquets For Sweden

The great thing, added Ribbentrop, was to draw the Scandinavian countries into the war, and the best way of achieving this would be to make them fight shoulder to shoulder with Finland.

"From all information available the Reich Government is satisfied that Sweden has always been very sensible of her neutral duties and has committed no act compromising her neutrality."

"On the other hand, the Reich Government is in possession of documents to prove that the Norwegian Government not only approved the plan of the Western Powers to spread the war but had been active in supporting the belligerent action of the Western Powers."

"Material which has been found in Norway recently revealed that the British espionage system in that country had the full support of the Norwegian Government. But we have further proof that even at an earlier date the Norwegian Government had made up its mind to join the Allies."

Ribbentrop said that at a meeting of the Norwegian Government on March 2, the Prime Minister, as well as the Foreign Minister, made statements to that effect.

Acts Of Sabotage

"Not only these documents but many other actions taken by the Allies in neutral countries—such as acts of sabotage committed by the Secret Service in the Balkans—give proof of their intentions to spread the war wherever possible."

"The intentions of the Allied countries became even more clear when the German Government was informed of a private conversation between M. Reynaud and a neutral diplomat on March 30."

"In this discussion M. Reynaud was uncautious enough to declare that there was no longer danger in the west as during the next few days decisive action would be taken by the Western Powers in the north."

"Thereupon the Fuehrer gave orders for the German navy to sail."

Ribbentrop said the Allied mine-laying on April 9 was "just a preparation for the landing of a British expeditionary force which was already prepared to sail."

He added: "We have information that on April 9 Allied expeditionary troops were embarked to be landed at Bergen, Trondheim and Stavanger."

"Just In Time"

"When, on the morning of April 9, German counter-action was carried out, it came just in time to prevent and foil an attempted Allied landing in Norway."

Ribbentrop also stated that when the British Admiralty learned of the German Navy's action in the North Sea, they decided to cancel the intended landing and to order the capital ships back.

"The British, however, did not succeed in bringing all their transports back and a number of them were attacked and sunk by German bombing aircraft."

Ribbentrop quoted Mr. Chamberlain's announcement in the Commons of the German invasion and said: "Gentlemen, in the name of the Reich Government, and notably in the name of truth and right, I shall now submit to you documents which prove that the assertions of the British and French rulers were nothing but lies and forgeries."

Boasts Begin

Ribbentrop proceeded to speak of the fighting in Norway, in which, he said, "the German troops have smashed through all the enemy positions and repelled the British and Norwegians and driven them back in wild flight."

He repeated some of the claims made in to-day's High Command communiqué, and said some brigade orders seized "prove that the British landing had been prepared long in advance and that the order for the landing of the first detachment was given for April 8 and 9."

Ribbentrop concluded by repeating in summary form his earlier accusations against the Allies, and then copies of the White Book, containing the alleged documents referred to by him, were distributed to the diplomats and journalists present.—Reuter.

ITALIANS IN FRANCE WILL SHOCK MUSSOLINI

Paris, Yesterday.
Forty thousand Italians, entering France have petitioned the Italian Ambassador to accept French offers to solve problems outstanding between the two countries.
The petition says it is a wish of Italian emigrants to see an Italian break from Italy; they want to see their country coming closer to the Democratic countries.—Reuter.

RUSSO-NAZI RELATIONS COOLING

Amsterdam, Yesterday.
Signs that relations between Germany and Russia are cooling off are noted in the German press.

Nazi newspapers recently have given up expressing hopes that the Soviet Union will take further steps to aid Hitler.

The "Kosinische Zeitung" and other papers spoke of the difficulties Russia is facing in working the Ural oilfields, for which brilliant prospects were prophesied. The impression is said to prevail in the Ruhr that Russia has been unwilling to take German technicians who, it was hoped, were to reorganise Russian production and transportation.—Reuter.

AIR FORCE LOSSES

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
AIR MINISTRY CASUALTY COMMUNIQUE NUMBER 27 COM-
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STRIKING REPORT LABOUR COND

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the Select Committee on Expenditure directly connected with the war.

Two important suggestions from the committee are particularly noticed. The first is the need of prompt measures to deal with the competition for skilled workers now going on between engineering firms and the methods being adopted to tempt men from one firm to another.

The Committee notes that the most active bidders for such workers are the aircraft firms and draws the conclusion that their contracts must be on extremely favourable terms if they are able to stand these additions to their labour costs.

The "Manchester Guardian" shows that this question is only part of the general problem of the proper use of skilled labour with which the Labour Ministry must urgently grapple. A second suggestion is the need for dealing with preventable waste and

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TASK OF WINNING THE WAR

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Mr. Hudson said one small branch of his department had taken over for the Navy over 2,000 vessels from motor-boats to armed merchantmen. Our losses through enemy action were only 3 per cent.

Fact Of Delay
4. If the Allies were ready to land troops in Norway (as Ribbentrop alleged), there would have been no delay. Such a delay there was, owing to the necessity of assembling troops and transports.

5. If the Allied laying of minefields was only preparatory to an Allied landing in Norway, the Allies would not have openly announced the minefields.

6. The German expeditionary force, as was admitted over the official Nazi wireless, sailed many days before the minefield was laid.

7. It is notorious that the German landing was made possible by its Secret Service activities and it is impudent to suggest that British agents had prepared for a British landing.

Denmark Not Mentioned
8. The British Government is anxious that neutral countries be protected against aggression but does not believe that Britain desires the isolation of the war. No neutrals are mobilised for fear of Allied action.

9. There is no doubt the Norwegian invasion was due to deliberate Nazi action which they now seek to justify by documents of which they admit they had no knowledge when they invaded Norway.

It is noted in London that Ribbentrop made no effort to justify the invasion of Denmark, which he apparently thought not worthy of mention.—Reuter.

CANADIAN AIRMEN IN BRITAIN

London, Yesterday.
Mr. Norman Rogers, defence Minister, today announced that the first Canadian Air Force squadron in Britain was now operational.

LANDINGS BY FRENCH CONTINUE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")
Paris, Yesterday.
Eye-witnesses who have crossed the border into Sweden report the landing of French troops on Wednesday and Thursday night.

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